'A Historic and Heroic Choice'

Balkan Leaders Forge Peace Accord



Presidents Slobodan Milosevic, left, Alija Izetbegovic of Bosnia and Franjo Tudjman of Croatia initialing the peace accord in Dayton, Ohio, on Tuesday.

DAYTON, Ohio - Overcoming their differences only at the last moment, Balkan leaders agreed Tuesday on a comprehen-sive settlement to end the 43-month war in

The landmark accord was reached after 21 days of intensive negotiations brokered by the United States and conducted with three Balkan presidents in seclusion at the Wright-Patterson Air Force Base near Dayton, Ohio.

The presidents of Bosnia, Croatia and Serbia have made a historic and heroic choice," President Bill Clinton told re-

Europeans welcome accord, but with

a twinge of jealousy. Page 2.

porters in the Rose Garden of the White House. "They have heeded the will of their *Today, thank God, the voices of those

people have been heard," he stated. President Alija Izetbegovic of Bosnia, President Slobodan Milosevic of Serbia and the Croatian president, Franjo Tudjman, sat side by side at a long table in the Hope Hotel on Wright-Patterson Air Force Base and initialed the agreement under the watchful eyes of U.S. and international

The accord, to be formally signed in Paris next month, offered the best promise since the fighting began in 1992 that an end is possible in a war that has left 250,000

people dead or missing.

We've reached a day many believed would never come," said Secretary of State Warren M. Christopher, who had

final accord.

The war in Bosnia should be left to the past," Mr. Milosevic declared.

Mr. Izetbegovic said, "This may not be a just peace, but it is more just than a continuation of war." He added, "In the world as it is, a better peace will not have been

Mr. Tudjman said, "I believe the implementation of this agreement will result in lasting peace and create conditions for the establishment of a new world order in this part of the world.

President Boris N. Yeltsin of Russia hailed the agreement as a "big step" to-

"It is important that the finalizing of the document is followed by a UN Security Council decision to suspend sanctions against the Union Republic of Yugoslavia," Mr. Yeltsin said. "Russia will consistently defend their lifting altogether.

Mr. Yeltsin made it clear that Russia had not yet decided how deeply it would get involved in a NATO military operation in Bosnia for reinforcing the peace deal.

'A decision on Russia's participation in military aspects of the settlement will be made later," he said.

The United States and Germany, on behalf of the "contact group" that mediated international efforts to end the conflict, immediately asked the United Nations to lift sanctions on the rump Yugoslavia, diplomats said.

Disagreements over territory nearly torpedoed the talks in the last 48 hours. 'The war is over," Mr. Milosevic de-

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Clinton's Next Battle: Support From Public and Congress

Main Points of the Agreement

It will consist of a Bosnian-Croatian Federation and the Bosnian Serb Republic.

Free, democratic elections will take place under international supervision.

Human rights will be monitored by an independent commission.

People charged with war crimes will be excluded from political life.

The government will include a Parliament, presidency and constitutional court.

By Brian Knowlton ional Herald Tribune

WASHINGTON — In announcing that an agreement had been reached to bring peace to Bosnia, President Bill Clinton fired the first shot in a new battle: the struggle for the approval of the American public and Congress.

In his Rose Garden statement, President Clinton asked Americans to take a moment over the coming holiday weekend to "say a simple prayer of thanksgiving that this peace has been reached, that our nation was able to play an important role in stopping the suffering and the sorrow," and that Bosnians would • Bosnia will be an internationally recognized state within its present borders. finally be able to celebrate Christmas in peace.

"Without us, the hard-won peace would be lost," he said. "The slaughter of innocents would begin again" and the conflict "could spread like poison throughout the entire region."

He vowed to seek congressional back- congressional leaders before making his Nashua, New Hampshire, said he would ing probably one-third of a force expected

He said there would be "no complete deployment" until members of Congress had had a chance to undertake consul-"which I think will begin im-

The president said that he had called the House leader, speaking to reporters in

NATO troops will supervise separation of forces.

Refugees will be allowed to return to their homes.

The capital, Sarajevo, will remain united.

ing for the deployment of American announcement to inform them of the Davpeacekeeping troops to Bosnia, compris- ton accord and to ask them to begin developing a schedule for consultations. to number about 60,000.

The immediate reaction from congressional leaders was not as negative as Mr. Clinton might have feared, given the depth of opposition on Capitol Hill to the idea of exposing American soldiers to danger in far-off Bosnia. Newt Gingrich,

cised. I only hope that it is being exercised in the pursuit of the right objectives." Mr. Gingrich said he was willing to give Mr. Clinton "the benefit of the doubt" as commander in chief of the

invite all parties to the Dayton agreement

The Georgia Republican added that he

Bob Dole, the Senate majority leader,

might send a congressional team to

also spoke with reserve, saying: "At long

last American leadership is being exer-

to testify before Congress.

Bosnia to study the situation.

And he said that while he was not "prepared to vote yes" when the matter came up for action, "I would discourage any member from automatically voting

Opposition in Congress to the idea of sending troops to Bosnia has been sub-

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A Victory for Separatism And Regional Status Quo

Expulsion of 2.5 Million Legitimized

By John Pomfret

circle to the point where it stood in June 1991 when fighting erupted between Slovenian irregulars and soldiers of the

Yugoslavian People's Army.
Then, as now, the former Yugoslavia had shattered into five parts: Bosnia, Croatia, Macedonia, Slovenia and a smaller Yu-But what the agreement legitimizes is what took place in the nightmarish interim between 1991 and now: a massive expulsion of an estimated 2.5 million people, mostly Bosnian Muslims, who were either forced from their homes or fled an uncertain fate at

the hands of an enemy faction. This exodus has resulted in a Croatia dominated by Croats and almost devoid of Serbs; a Serbian-led Yugoslavia all but free of Croats and losing Hungarians fast; and a Bosnia that, while already cut in two between an ethnically pure section of Serbs and a federation of Croats and Muslims, is quickly being divided into three parts as Croatian leaders seek to separate their people from the Muslims, their ostensible allies.

ethnically homogeneous state in the heart of Europe. What has been lost is the belief that the groups that once comprised Eastern Europe's richest nation can live together in peace.

And merely postponed are the dreams of Croats could live together peacefully, his President Slobodan Milosevic of Serbia for a country was by far the weakest participant in

counterpart, Franjo Tudjman, for a Greater

"Everything I hear from Dayton tells me PALE, Bosnia-Herzegovina - On the that the concept that they all hate each other surface, Tuesday's peace plan to end Eu- and can't live together is victorious," said rope's bloodiest conflict since World War a Western aid official. "It isn't true but II transports the region back almost full since when has truth had anything to do with the Balkans."

Fusillades of celebratory gunfire illuminated the night sky over much of Serbian-held Bosnia. In the town of Zvornik -

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goslavia joining Serbia and Montenegro. on the border of Yugoslavia, scores of people filled the streets expressing their

hopes of peace.
"Is it really over?" one woman, named Branka, asked in disbelief. "Can we really start living normally now?"

This pragmatic acceptance of the status quo in the Balkans by the United States runs contrary to many of the things U.S. officials say they stand for, such as tolerance and democracy. It also could sow the seeds for a collapse of the peace accord because, many officials in the region say, without some type of reckoning of the injustices committed in the Balkans, a long-term solution to the crisis will be hard to find and the plan will be but a recipe for a war of redemption.

The main reason U.S. leaders accepted As such, what appears to have won at the talks in Dayton, Ohio, is the concept of an neither of the two most powerful leaders the status quo in the Balkans is because sitting around the table in Dayton - Mr. Milosevic or Mr. Tudiman - supports the ideal of a multiethnic society. Although Alija Izetbegovic, president of Bosnia, has voiced a belief that Muslims, Serbs and Greater Serbia and those of his Croatian the talks and thus his position lost.

AGENDA

New Bomb Test

PARIS (Reuters) - France, defying a worldwide furor, conducted the fourth in a series of nuclear weapons tests

Tuesday, the Defense Ministry said. A ministry statement said the underground blast, equivalent to less than 40,000 tons of conventional explosives, was detonated at the Mururoa Atoll in French Polynesia at 2130 GMT.

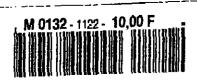
Dow Surges

The Dow Jones industrial average closed at a record 5.023.55 points Tuesday, up 40.46, as investors bought high-quality issues likely to perform well over the next year in a slowly expanding U.S. economy.

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China Comes Down Hard on Top Critic

By Steven Mufson shington Post Service

BEIJING - China has charged its leading critic. Wei Jingsheng, with attempting to overthrow the government, an offense that could be punished with anything from five years in prison to the death sentence.

The 44-year-old Mr. Wei, regarded as the father of China's tiny democracy movement, was formally arrested Tuesday. nearly 20 months after he disappeared into police hands. He had vanished after being stopped by security agents on a road outside Beijing on April 1, 1994.

Since then, despite appeals from many world leaders, Chinese officials have given no indication of Mr. Wei's whereabouts, and he has been barred from seeing any of trician, Mr. Wei was jailed in 1979 for his

conviction is almost certain after a formal

arrest is announced. The official Xinhua press agency said in a six-paragraph item that "an investigation by Beijing's municipal public security departments showed that Wei had conducted activities in an attempt to overthrow the government." It added: "His actions were in violation of the criminal law and constituted crimes."

An uncompromising spokesman for free speech and democracy, Mr. Wei has spent all but six months of the past 16 years in jails, prison labor camps, or detention. This year he was a strong contender for the Nobel Peace Prize.

A former soldier and Beijing Zoo elec-

his family members or attorneys. In China, role in the Democracy Wall movement. At that time he wrote and published an essay called "The Fifth Modernization," which criticized Deng Xiaoping, the senior lead-er, for leaving democracy out of his reform program. Mr. Wei later branded Mr. Deng

> The new charge Tuesday against Mr. Wei appears to signal Beijing's continued determination to stifle overt political dissent as well as its confidence that foreign companies' eagemess to do business in China's booming economy would prevent any trade retaliation by other governments.

a "new dictator."

The timing of the announcement — just after President Jiang Zemin's meetings with President Bill Clinton in New York,

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Diana, the Feminist Princess, Ends Fairy Tale

By Suzy Menkes International Herald Tribuni

surrounding the Princess of Wales is the determi-nation of Diana to be a woman in her own right. Her story, which started as a sugary fairy-tale, now has a feminist agenda, reflecting the demands of 20th-century women to be defined not by their menfolk but as themselves.

Monday evening, the Princess of Wales was a modern woman baring the broken bones of her marriage. In the flesh that evening at a cancer benefit, she was traditionally royal - sapphires and diamonds winking, slender dress sweeping into a train.

In the BBC interview broadcast around the world

Yet the broad, muscular back and full-blown figure she revealed in a low-cut gown were symbolic of the metamorphosis of the teenage "shy Di" into a powerful, mature woman.

Her confident public image and her lucid broadcast showed a bewitched public and a bewildered establishment that the most visible princess in history cannot conveniently be written out of the script in this most gripping of soap operas. Or, as Her Royal Highness expressed it, using the third-person language usually reserved for Her Majesty: "She won't go quietly, that's the problem. I'll fight to the end because I believe that I have a role to fulfill."

That role seems to be more about American-style celebrity status used as a powerful influence than about the diligent do-gooding of the royal wives of

According to her own televised soul-searching, Diana does not expect to be crowned queen at her LONDON — At the bitter heart of the conflict people's hearts." Not, you will note, the "queen of hearts," for that would place her in this royal poker game as just a decorative card with no power apart from her high status. And that is always inferior to the

> In the past, women who owed their royal status to their marriages have been shunted off to the country (as Queen Alexandra was by Edward VII) or had their heads chopped off (the Henry VIII solution). As a last resort, when a king fell in the grip of an unsuitable woman, they were both sidelined: hence the abdication in 1936 of Edward VIII and his exile with

Diana is not prepared to go into exile abroad or quietly behind palace walls. Her aim is instead to fulfill an undefined role outside the historic parameters of the royal family firm as healer, helper and international ambassadress. It is a measure of her strength that the Buckingham Palace response to the television broadcast was a statement Tuesday that it was prepared to help her to redefine her position.

As a working mother, Diana also stressed ber role as homemaker to her two children, William, 13, the future king, and Harry, 11 — staying one jump ahead of the dysfunctional royal family. Ever since Queen Victoria, taking over from her dissolute, childless Hanoverian uncles, rebuilt the British monarchy as a

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Palace Offers Support for a New Role

By Erik Ipsen International Herald Tribune

LONDON - Having been thrust into the dock of public opinion for its alleged role in stifling the career ambitions of a national treasure, Buckingham Palace responded Tuesday by offering its accuser, the

Princess of Wales, its full aid and cooperation in finding a new role for her. By so doing, the palace sought to bring a quick end to what had been called the worst crisis to rock the

monarchy since the 1936 abdication of Edward VIII.
"We will, of course, be talking again to the princess, to see how we can help her define her future role and continue to support her as a member of the royal family," the palace statement said.

With hostilities between the princess and other members of the royal family having apparently been capped, public speculation quickly swung to the question of divorce. "It has long been inevitable."

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Diana in London on the night of the broadcast.

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'A Historic and Heroic Choice' / Peace for Bosnia

In European Capitals, Relief, Delight and a Twinge of Jealousy of U.S.

By William Drozdiak Washington Post Service

PARIS — Despite unmistakable traces of jealousy that the United States had succeeded where they failed for nearly four years, European governments welcomed the Bosnia peace accord Tuesday with exhilaration and relief.

Officials in Paris, London, Bonn and other allied capitals expressed surprise and delight at the settlement just when it appeared that three weeks of negotiations had reached

Britain praised the breakthrough "It has taken courage on everyone's believed to be held by Bosnian Serbs seal on a global settlement to the part to overcome the many difficult since they were shot down near Pale Yugoslav conflict."

issues at stake. But the people of during a NATO bombing campaign Bosnia can now look forward to a three months ago. peaceful future - a very different prospect to the grim realities of the last three years.

Chancellor Helmut Kohl of Germany called the Dayton agreement "a decisive step toward the restoration of peace in the whole of the former Yugoslavia."

President Boris N. Yeltsin also extolled the deal, which he said marked "a comprehensive settlement to the most tragic conflict in Europe since World War II."

te brink of collapse. The French foreign minister,
Prime Minister John Major of Hervé de Charette, said the accord arranged for the imminent freedom of among the warring parties and said: two missing French pilots, who were Paris gathering would "soon set the

Yet almost as soon as President Bill Clinton had announced that a peace deal had been reached, the smoldering tensions among the allies seemed to rekindle in an ap-parent dispute over which capital should receive the honor of hosting the peace-signing ceremony.

Anxious to stake out its claim as the Western nation that has sacrificed more soldiers in the quest for peace in the Balkans, France announced Tuesday night that it intended to hold a formal signing ceremony in early December. President Jacques Chirac's office said the

glory by holding a conference that would arrange financing plans for Bosnia's reconstruction, which the World Bank believes could cost up to \$6 billion over the next three years. The European Union said a pledging conference bringing together poten-tial donor countries "should take place as soon as possible."

But the Clinton administration, savoring one of its greatest foreign policy triumphs, insists that the peacesigning ceremony should take place in Washington as a way to highlight the U.S. diplomatic success ahead of a presidential election year.

Nonetheless, there was elation among the allies that the United States was prepared to exercise its leadership by putting 20,000 peace-mense logistical strains on the North tributing ground troops.

London also wants to share in the keeping troops on the ground to enforce the agreement.

"The Bosnia crisis shows this alliance stands or falls with American leadership," a British official said. 'A lot of the bickering for the past three years could have been prevented if Washington had taken this kind of assertive approach much earlier."

Failure to reach a deal would have revived fears of a new outbreak of warfare that could have trapped the French, British and other European soldiers who make up the bulk of the 23,000 UN peacekeepers in Bosnia in an escalating conflict that might have compelled them to beat a humiliating retreat.

An evacuation effort in the middle of winter would have imposed im-

patters by the failure of member govemments to find a successful strategy

to wind down the war. biggest sources of friction within the alliance over Bosnia would be removed when U.S. soldiers finally hit failed. the ground in the vanguard of a 60.000-man NATO peacekeeping force. American arguments in favor of arming the Bosnian Army and launching heavy air strikes against rebel Serbs have long infuriated European governments, who claimed that the Americans could afford to talk tough because they had not joined the European allies in con-

Atlantic Treaty Organization, which has found its credibility as the world's blocked by Congress from sending most powerful military alliance left in up to 20,000 American troops as promised, European officials said they expected the U.S. commitment in terms of firepower, authority and European officials said one of the prestige would help the NATO peacekeeping mission succeed where the United Nations had

> "If the United States takes the lead and American generals are giving the orders, there should be none of the command and control problems that we saw with the dual key arrangements under the UN mission," a senior French military official said. "There will be debates about the right tactics, but we want to settle them in a friendly and cooperative way.

Deploying in 'Godawful' Conditions

By Rick Atkinson Washington Post Service

BERLIN - With the initialing of a Bosnian peace accord Tuesday, the spotlight shifts from tightrope diplomacy to the even more perilous military challenge of deploying more than 60,000 combat troops into mountainous, mine-strewn Bosnia in midwinter.

NATO officers say the heart of the deployment involves three multinational army divisions assigned to three geo-graphic sectors in Bosnia. Collectively, their task is to promote stability by establishing and enforcing a 1,000 kilometer-long (620-mile-long) zone of separation between Serbian-controlled Bosnian territory and land controlled by Croatian and Muslim forces. The U.S. contribution of

25,000 soldiers will be drawn mostly from the 1st Armored Division, which is based in Germany. It has been assigned a sector headquartered in the nonheast city of Tuzla. Reinforced by a brigade of more than 1,000 Russians plus a Nordic battalion, the Ameri- communications and logistics cans — with about 300 Abrams experts; that force will acceltanks and Bradley armored personnel carriers - will man a the main body of combat troops bell-shaped area with a perimeter of roughly 350 kilometers.

Complementing Sector Tuzla will be a British sector, head- days as currently planned, the quartered in the northwest city of Gornji Vakuf, and a French sector, probably headquartered in the southwestern city of after the formal signing of a Mostar. Precisely how the troop treaty, U.S. planners, for exam-contingents from other NATO ple, calculate that complete destill under study; planners ex- the entire NATO force in place

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stantial. The House voted Nov. 17 in a

nonbinding resolution to ban funding for a

U.S. troop presence in Bosnia unless Con-

gress first approved. The vote was 243 to 171, largely on party lines.

Mr. Clinton's attempts to woo Mr. Gin-

grich and other congressional leaders be-

gan earlier. Last week, he sent Mr. Gin-

grich a nine-page letter that said, in part, that a U.S. failure to fully support the peace process in Bosnia would weaken NATO

But even some congressmen who might

"Everyone appreciates the effort that

"But a Pollyanna view of just how this

be disposed to support a Bosnia mission

said that they had serious, perhaps insur-

went into negotiating this peace agree-ment." Representative Christopher Cox.

started and how it might end is not con-structive," he added. "We are told by the

president that Congress should be assured

Republican of California, told CNN.

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mountable, reservations.



pect soldiers from more than 20 countries to participate in the

The initialing of the treaty permits NATO to dispatch to Bosnia a force of up to 1,600 erate preparations for arrival of

Even if the deployment of combat units begins in 10 to 14 process will take weeks. While command headquarters will be established within 72 to 96 hours

started all of this."

could take up to two months. Chain of command for the op-

eration will extend from General George A. Joulwan, NATO's supreme commander, whose headquarters is in Mons, Belgium; to Admiral Leighton W. Smith, commander of NATO's southern flank in Naples; to Lieutenant General Michael Walker, commander of NATO's Allied Rapid Reaction Corps, now headquartered in Rheindahlen, Germany: to unit commanders, such as Major General William L. Nash, commander of the 1st Armor Division.

Admiral Smith plans to establish a headquarters in Saraand non-NATO contributing ployment of an armored brigade headquarters also will direct all as a U.S. colonel put it, "are in nations will be parceled out is will take 20 to 30 days. Getting ground forces in the operation.

Congress will depend largely on how it our allies, is needed to make this peace real plays out before the public. And Americans and enduring," he said. "Our values, our

Mr. Clinton has tried repeatedly in re- the peace accord that they would do "ev-

CLINTON: President Opens Drive for Support of Congress and Public

How the Bosnia debate plays out in

Congress will depend largely on how it

now will be forced to pay much closer

The public appears to be divided. A policarly this month by NBC and the Wall Street Journal found 51 percent of Americans op-

posed deployment of American troops in

Bosnia, while 41 percent supported it.

More recently, Washington Post reporters

canvassed voters in Dayton, a Middle West-

ern heartland city where people have had the Bosnia question thrust before their eyes

more than anywhere else in the country.

They found the same sort of division.

The debate in coming days is certain to

boil down to a few central questions. What

exactly will be the American role in

Bosnia? What will be the risks? How long will American troops have to stay? What, if

any, is the vital American interest in

Bosnia? And, ultimately, is the cause worth

by assurances given from Slobodan Milo-sevic, the war criminal whose aggression the United States, and he addressed the implementation of the peace plan.'

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the lives of American soldiers?

attention than they have so far.

nounced last month that roughly one-third of its 30,000 troops from 19 nations will leave Bosnia; of those remaining, many will become part of the NATO force. The UN commander, Lieutenant General Bernard Janvier, is expected to become Admiral Smith's deputy, although final command arrangements are under discussion.

Commanders from the 1st Armor said they planned to take along most of the unit's tanks and personnel carriers despite formidable mountains around Tuzla. Level country in the north of the sector is particularly suitable for tanks, according to one commander, and planners believe that heavy armor provides both protection for U.S. troops and an intimidating presence to discourage prospective snipers or truce violators.

Army commanders had counted on a zone of separation 20 kilometers wide to keep Serbian artillery as far away as possible. The negotiated agreement for a zone only four kilochanges the troop-to-task ratio." a colonel said, by requiring more NATO soldiers to monitor the demarcation line. That concern in the Tuzla sector NATO promise to provide General Nash with additional non-U.S. infantry units capable of plugging gaps where heavy armor cannot easily move.

Supplying the force in winter will be difficult. Virtually all bridges north of Tuzla have been destroyed during three and jevo, where General Walker's a half years of fighting. Roads, godawful shape and getting

interests and our leadership all over the

speaking to questions that have been heard

in Congress and from the public.

He offered other assurances as well,

U.S. troops would be in Bosnia as part of

a NATO force, he said, and would take

He said they would have sufficient fire-

power "and the authorization to use that

power if need be" - to dissuade warring

timetable" for withdrawal - presumably,

political observers say, before the pres-

idential election next November. And the

mission of the troops would be "clear, limited and achievable."

hear the assurances of the Balkan parties to

Mr. Clinton said he wanted Americans to

There would be a "reasonable

orders "only from the American general

world are at stake."

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parties from attacking them.



Paris and London To Follow U.S. Lead

By Craig R. Whitney

said Tuesday that France would other third, and that oil-producsend 10,000 troops and Britain 15,000, but only if the United States followed through on its question again Tuesday.
"American leadership, together with pledge to send 20,000 soldiers

to the former Yugoslavia. European countries would probably also pull their troops out at the same time the United States did, French officials said.

President Bill Clinton said that North Atlantic Treaty Organization plans included "a reasonable timetable" for the withdrawal of American troops, but administration officials have said before that U.S. soldiers would start

pulling out after about a year. An authoritative French official said that President Jacques Chirac and other Enropean leaders would insist at the final peace conference next month that the United States pay about one-third of the expected \$5 billion to \$6 billion cost of rebuilding Bosnia after

four years of war "You can't continue to command everything and pay for nothing," the official said. European leaders agreed at

expected to resume strike action Thursday following the failure of an informal session on the Spanish island of Majorca last September that the 15 European

ing Muslim countries of the Middle East should be asked for most of the rest, French offi-NATO governments are expected to give final approval to the alliance's military plans to dispatch the peacekeeping

force by the time of a meeting of allied foreign ministers in Brussels on Dec. 5 and 6. Some European governments are doubtful that the one year President Clinton has given U.S. soldiers to run the

Union countries would pay an

cials said.

peacekeeping mission is long enough to let real peace take root on the ground. Even the participation of an estimated 1,000 Russian troops is conditional on the presence in northern Bosnia of the American 1st Armored Division. which would make up the bulk

of the American contingent. Russia agreed earlier this month to let three battalions go in alongside the U.S. force, but only if it was understood that were not taking orders from NATO. NATO's senior European commander, General George

A. Joulwan, is a U.S. officer, but he will give orders to the Russian contingent only in his capacity as commander of U.S. forces in Europe.

Germany has offered to pro-vide 4,000 troops, the first of which would be ready to start moving to Bosnia by Dec. 20. Defense Minister Volker Rühe said Monday.

in Luxembourg

TRAVEL UPDATE

Iberia Pilots to Resume Strikes MADRID (AFP) - Pilots of the Spanish airline Iberia are

negotiations between their union and management. The pilots, who are protesting a management restructuring plan, have already been on strike for a total of six days this month. ney now plan further strikes on Thursday and Friday, as well as

on Tuesday and Wednesday next week. The pilots union, SEPLA, did not rule out a resumption of talks with management, but said no meeting was planned for now.

New Checks of Jumbo-Jet Engines

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Federal Aviation Administration has ordered stepped-up inspections of General Electric Co. jet engines used on many of the world's jumbo jets, following the discovery that microscopic cracks had caused engine explosions on several aircraft.

It took weeks to fashion a rule designed to weed out possibly dangerous engines while avoiding the grounding of hundreds of large airliners. Almost all major U.S. airlines use the engines.

involved are all versions of the GE CF6 engine, which since the early 1970s have powered many Boeing 747s and 767s, McDonnell Douglas MD-11s and DC-10s, and Airbus Industrie A-300s, A-310s and A-330s. Approximately 4,400 of the engines are operating worldwide, 825 on U.S. airlines.

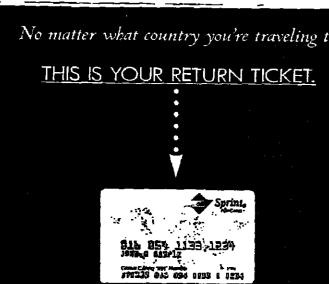
Eurostar to Extend Special Fare

PARIS (Reuters) - The Eurostar high-speed rail service, which is locked in a price war with Channel ferry companies, said Tuesday its special Paris-London round-trip fare of 594 francs (\$122) would be maintained until March 31. It was due to expire Dec. 10. The Paris-London price is conditional on a Saturday night stay in London or a booking two weeks before departure.

Southern U.S. beach resorts and tourist areas had the nation's highest crime rates in 1994, an FBI survey of areas with populations above 100,000 shows. Miami topped the list, with 19 violent crimes per 1,000 residents, followed by Gainesville, also in Florida, with a rate of 14 per 1,000, and Tucson, Arizona, 8 per 1,000.

Japan Airlines has regained clearance to offer full maintenance services to U.S.-registered airliners after adjusting procedures to comply with U.S. requirements, JAL said. (AFP)





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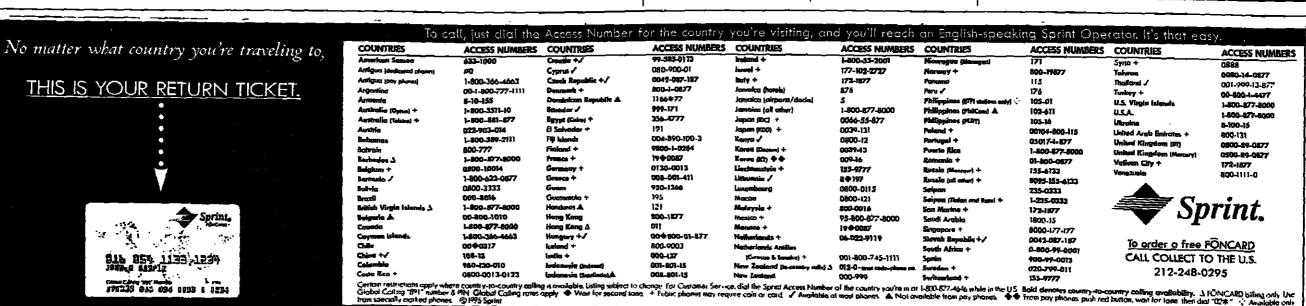
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THE AMERICAS

Poll Finds Majority For Clinton In Battle

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By Richard Morin Washington Post Service

WASHINGTON - President Bill Clinton has a majority of Americans on his side as federal budget negotiations enter a critical phase, while his Republican opponents in Congress face growing disapproval over the way they have handled the budget impasse, according to a new Washington Post-ABC News poll.

The survey, conducted Sunday before the agreement to end the partial government shutdown was announced, found that 7 in 10 - including a majority of Republicans - disapproved of the way Repubans in Congress are handling the budget dispute. And the poll indicated that last week's govemment shutdown and the continning budget stalemate had sent the job ratings of the Sen-are majority leader, Bob Dole, and the House speaker, Newt

Gingrich, plummeting.
Overall, 56 percent of those interviewed said Mr. Clinton's position on the budget issue was closer to their own, while 36 percent supported the Republicans. By a 2-1 ratio, those interviewed agreed that the Republican plan to balance the federal budget in seven years cut too deeply into domestic programs and a smaller majority said Mr. Clinton should veto it.

A total of 827 randomly selected adults were interviewed. Margin of sampling error for the overall results is plus or minus 4 percentage points.
The results of the Post-ABC

News poll echoed the findings of other recent polls and were reinforced by separate interviews with voters around the country conducted by Washington Post reporters.

The surveys and interviews suggest that most Americans blamed Republicans in Congress for the budget impasse. Even a majority of the Republicans interviewed expressed disapproval of the way their party's congressional leaders had dealt so far with the dispute.

Less than half of those interviewed — 45 percent — said they approved of the job Mr. Dole was doing as leader of the Senate Republicans, down from 60 percent in March. Durcentage who disapproved of Mr. Dole's job performance grew from 28 percent to 46 percent in the most recent survey.

Likewise, two in three respondents - 65 percent - said they disapproved of the job Mr. Gingrich was doing as speaker, up from 50 percent in June. About one in four Americans — 27 percent — views favorably Mr. Gingrich's performance.

While Representative Gingrich and Senator Dole appear to have suffered during the shutdown and budget debate, President Clinton managed to hold his own. His job approval rating stood at 54 percent in the recent poll, unchanged from a Post-ABC News survey conducted before the shutdown began and up from 47 percent in

There are certain values that President Clinton is standing up for that I think are worth it, and if this adds to his credibility with the American people, then something good will come of it," said David Sponder. 37, a psychologist who lives in Los Angeles, in a typical respondent comment.



President Clinton giving a thumbs-up after thanking congressional Democrats for their support in the budget fight. With him is Representative Vic Fazio of California.

POLITICALNOTES

A Campaign Watershed?

WASHINGTON — The whole vast cycle of primaries, party cancuses, nominating conventions and campaigns — with all its twists and unpredictable turns — has not even begun. Yet the defining moment of the 1996 presidential election may well be at hand.

By Dec. 15 or not too long thereafter, Pres-

ident Bill Clinton and congressional Repub-licans, including Mr. Clinton's likely opponent next November, the Senate majority leader, Bob Dole, must decide whether it is to be compromise or stalemate on the size and shape of the federal budget — including tax cuts and wrenching changes in Medicare, welfare and other entitlement programs.

Given the volatile nature of those issues and the fact that hundreds of delegates to next summer's nominating conventions are to be chosen in the first few months of 1996, the outcome of the budget crisis will go far toward

shaping the struggle for the White House.

'Normally, the shape a presidential election develops over a fairly long period,' said John Alexander, a University of Cincinnati historian. "But sometimes a series of concrete events, packed into a short span of time, become the potentially defining moment for a whole campaign." He likened the present situation to President Harry S. Truman's confrontation with the Republican-controlled Congress in 1948 and the televised debates between John F. Kennedy and Richard Nixon

This year's search for a budget agreement Clinton, Mr. Dole and others in the critical Wednesday. early rounds of next year's campaign.

More important, whether the two sides can reach agreement may determine whether the country is treated to a traditional battle for the White House or something far nastier and

more divisive. Will the campaign boil down to an argument over a historic reordering of the federal govemment's role in American life?

Such a campaign would not lack for fireworks or heated rhetoric, but it would fall well

within the bounds of traditional combat. The alternative may be a tooth-and-fang effort to shift the blame for an opposite out-come — continued paralysis in Washington. If compromise is reached, strategists for Mr. Clinton and Mr. Dole say, their campaign

scripts are clear: If Dole has a strength, it is that he can reach solutions that are palatable to the American people, which accomplish a policy objective and become law," said former Senator Warren Rudman of New Hampshire, a Dole

Clinton strategists, on the other hand, would portray a budget compromise as a victory for Mr. Clinton as the leader who supported fiscal responsibility but defended the elderly, the poor and middle-class families against Republican excesses.

James Carville, a top Clinton political adviser, said that if a final deal was struck, Mr. Clinton could credibly argue that "the Republicans had a terrible budget and I took them to the negotiating table and made it a lot better for the American people."

Specter Will Drop Race

WASHINGTON - Senator Arlen Specter of Pennsylvania has decided to quit his long-shot Republican presidential bid because of poor fund-raising results, a senior campaign official said.

Another official said Mr. Specter was expected to make a withdrawal announcement

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Ross Perot, as he submitted petitions with more than 50,000 names to get his Reform Party on the Ohio ballot next year, was asked if he would run for president again. He replied: "This is not about me. This is about the American people."

Away From Politics

The Food and Drug Administration has approved 3TC - a new anti-viral AIDS drug to be used with the frequently prescribed AZT, bolstering the growing belief that using combinations of powerful drugs is the most effective way to fight the infection. The drug was licensed less than five months after its manufacturer first submitted its application to the agency, and two weeks after an FDA panel recommended that it be approved.

A judge has denied a request by the jointly operated Detroit Newspapers that an order restricting strike demonstrations at a suburban printing plant be expanded to all newspaper facilities.

 A Washington state trooper who gained national attention when he stopped a young cutting move.

couple on their way to an abortion clinic and tried to persuade them not to go through with the procedure was dismissed for the incident. An internal investigation by the Washington State Patrol found that Lane W. Jackstadt, a 12-year veteran, had violated the agency's code of ethics and engaged in "unbecoming conduct" during the incident last year. (LAT)

After 30 witnesses and 300 exhibits, the prosecution rested in trying to prove to a jury in Los Angeles that Erik and Lyle Menendez killed their wealthy parents. The last witness called in the prosecution's six-week case was an expert who showed a computer recreation of the Aug. 20, 1989, slayings of Jose and Kitty Menendez.

• The Washington edition of the Los Angeles Times returned Monday, four months after publication was discontinued in a cost-

Many Budget Hurdles Lie Ahead

Economic Projections May Ease Final Accord

By Adam Clymer New York Times Service

WASHINGTON — President Bill Clinton and congressional Republicans got over their first big hurdle when they reached an agreement on a tem-porary spending bill to reopen the government. But on the much larger issue ahead — how to balance the budget — they may only have agreed to dis-

That may ultimately depend not just on the will to commise, which is conditioned by polls, focus groups and whichever side makes the latest political blunder and feels

the economic projections for the next seven years --- an art that some economists consider borderline science fiction finds enough extra cash to take the roughest edges off the Remake an interim agreement, publican plan to balance the each side claims to have fooled budget in seven years, which Congress finally passed Mon-day. The rosier the forecast, the

less money has to be cut.

Both sides are now formally committed "to enact legislation in the first session of the 104th Congress to achieve a balanced budget not later than fiscal year 2002." That is the part of the agreement that the Republicans like to focus on.

And they are equally com-mitted to the idea that such a budget must "protect future generations, insure Medicare solvency, reform welfare and provide adequate funding for Medicaid, education, agricul-ture, national defense, veterans and the environment." That is the part Democrats emphasize.

Since the Republicans had never said they were against any of those things, and Representative Tom DeLay, Republican of Texas, cheerfully asserted that the Republican budget did all that, it might seem that they gave up nothing and that they won because the president had finally agreed on seven years.

But that language also provides Democrats with a reason to disagree or, as the White House chief of staff, Leon E. the other. Panetta, said Monday, to reject

president's priorities. When they heard Mr. Panetta about balancing the budget in

NEWS ANALYSIS

House Republicans were an-

here," asserted Representative Gerald B.H. Solomon, Republican of New York and chairman of the Rules Committee. The chairman of the Appropri-It may also depend on ations Committee, Representa-whether a fresh look by the tive Robert L. Livingston, Re-Congressional Budget Office at publican of Louisiana, said the agreement concluded Sunday "sets in strong cement" the commitment to balance the

budget in seven years.

any deal unless it "protects the ber that this deal is just that, a of conservatives and liberals pact that provides for reopening closed government offices for make comments like that, talk four weeks. And for the last three of those weeks, starting Monday, the two sides will talk about balancing the budget.

If they agree, they can then "seven or eight years" and as-sert that "we basically preserve the options of both sides," be statesmanlike and talk about how everybody had to make concessions for the nation's good and so on.

The reasons that both sides chose to negotiate this time each backing down a little bit are of more than historical interest. Questions of Democratic determination and polls suggesting Republican weakness are still going to be part of the calculus when talks begin Mon-

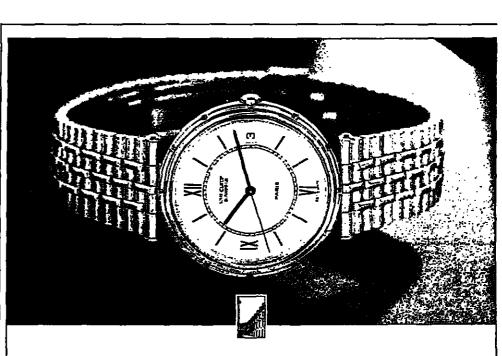
The administration had two good reasons for sitting down to

One was fear. When 48 Still, whenever politicians House Democrats voted with Republicans late Wednesday believed by his own party and for a stopgap spending bill, they by the public as well.

did not provide a veto-proof So it is important to remem- majority. But the combination with civil service constituentscame close enough so that President Clinton, scorned by congressional Democrats as an uncertain ally during the summer, now had to worry

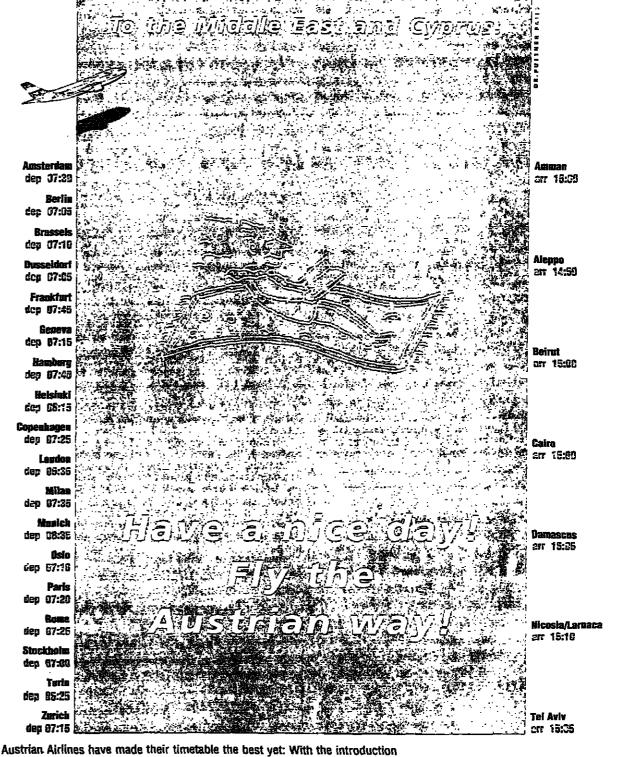
about being deserted if he stood The other was a sense that the House speaker, Newt Gingrich of Georgia, was at a low point in terms of influence. He had been widely ridiculed for complaining about his treatment on Air Force One, and his standing with the public was dropping fast.

That included the Republican public. A CBS News poll Sunday showed that when the public was asked if it thought Mr. Gingrich believed what he said about the budget or was just saying "what he thinks people want to hear," more Republicans than not thought be was pandering. Mr. Clinton was



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Murayama Would Use Force to Protect U.S. Base Leases

By Nicholas D. Kristof New York Times Service

TOKYO — Easing a sore point with the United States, Prime Minister Tomiichi Murayama declared Tuesday that he would force Japanese landowners to renew leases for property secretary, Koken Nosaka. that is used for American bases.

March. If Mr. Murayama did not intervene, then part of the land on an American base would revert to its Japanese owner.

clears the way for continued operation conservative-dominated coalition. of U.S. bases, it also underscores the

southern Japanese island of Okinawa. legal procedure for Mr. Murayama to military presence, always evident in The leases involved are on Okinawa, where the bases are concentrated.

"This is a tough but necessary choice to maintain the Japanese-U.S. security alliance," Mr. Murayama said, according to the chief cabinet

The first of the leases expire next painful for Mr. Murayama, the head of the Socialist Party. Mr. Murayama was a lifelong opponent of American bases in Japan, but he has had to abandon almost all of his positions since While Mr. Murayama's decision being installed as prime minister by a

"Time is running out," Mr. Mugrowing sensitivity over the American rayama told reporters later, and indeed military presence, particularly on the time already may have run out. The

force an extension of the leases is so Okinawa, has grown sharply since the cumbersome that it is not clear that it can be completed by March.

Normally, it is the governor of Okinawa who would sign the documents to force people to lease their land for bases or other public uses. But the The decision was particularly governor an American-trained scholar named Masahide Ota, has refused to sign and has demanded that the U.S. troops be gradually withdrawn from

> Mr. Ota's stance against the bases is enormously popular. A recent poll found that 89 percent of Okinawans supported his stand, along with 78 percent of Japanese nationwide. Antagonism toward the American

leases. Then, when Mr. Ota rejects the advice, Mr. Murayama can order Mr. Ota to sign. When Mr. Ota refuses to rayama can go to court to compel him fuses, Mr. Murayama can himself sign

the necessary documents.

rape in September of a 12-year-old

girl, allegedly by three American ser-

vicemen. The men have pleaded guilty

and are now on trial, although their

The dispute over the land-use rights has cast a shadow over attempts by U.S. and Japanese officials to reaffirm the importance of the American military presence in Japan. President Bill Clinton had been planning to make a families have suggested that they have state visit to Japan a few days ago, to underscore the importance of the se-The next step is for Mr. Murayama curity relationship, and security issues to advise Mr. Ota to sign the doc- are still expected to be the centerpiece uments forcing the extension of the of the visit when it is rescheduled for

some time early next year. Also Tuesday, Seishiro Eto, the head of the Defense Agency, anobey, as he is expected to, Mr. Mu-nounced that a search would begin next month for a new site for an artillery to do so. And finally, if Mr. Ota re- range used by Americans. The present site crosses an Okinawan highway that must be closed whenever drills begin.

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Afghan Army Loses 2 Key Posts

KABUL - Afghan government troops lost two key positions east of Kabul to the Taleban militia early Tuesday as fierce fighting for control of the area entered its sixth day, the Defense Ministry said here.

We made a tactical retreat from Chakari and Khurd Kabul, but are still maintaining other important posts in the area," a spokesman said.

The two villages, 25 kilometers (15 miles) southeast of the Afghan capital, were originally seized by the Taleban in a major attack on the area late Thursday, but the rebels were pushed out of most of the captured zone in a government counteroffensive on Saturday.

40 Million Girls 'Missing' in India

NEW DELHI - Forty to 50 million girls are "missing" from the Indian population due to selective abortion and higher infant mortality rates, according to a report by Unicef, the United Nations Children's Fund.

105 women for every 100 men," the report said. "India is one of the few countries where there are fewer women than men: only 93 women for every 100 men.

'In all but a few countries of the world, there are typically

ly 93 women for every 100 men.
"Missing girls reflect the unequal treatment that girls (AFP) receive compared to boys," the report said.

North Korea Farmland Badly Hit

TOKYO - Huge swathes of farmland have been destroyed in North Korea by flooding and the Communist state faces a serious crisis, a leading international relief group said

Tuesday.
"There has been enormous material damage," said Frank Boquet of the Médecins Sans Frontières group, which has had a team in North Korea for two months.

According to statistics released by the French-based group, about 400,000 hectares (1 million acres) of arable land have been wiped out by the floods that struck 145 of the isolated state's 200 regions during the summer.

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India Presses Muslim Kidnappers

SRINAGAR, India - The Indian authorities said Tuesday that negotiators had stepped up their efforts to persuade Muslim rebels in Kashmir to release four Western hostages and denied that a swap was being planned.

"There was contact today and last evening with the kidnappers," a government spokesman told reporters. "We are hopeful of contacting them again.

The kidnappers, the previously unknown militant group Al Faran, warned Friday that one of the hostages was sick and "could die at any time."

Timorese Refugees Quit Jakarta

JAKARTA - Four East Timorese who took refuge in the French Embassy here Sunday left Tuesday to fly to asylum in Portugal, witnesses said. The four students, aged 18 to 25, were helped by the

International Committee of the Red Cross. The students had climbed the fence of the embassy Sunday, less than 48 hours after another group of five East Timorese

who had done the same thing were flown to asylum in

VOICES From Asia

Prime Minister Jim Bolger of New Zealand, opening his country's first embassy in Hanoi: "We want to trade with

Prime Minister Li Peng of China, admonishing senior officials: "Cut down on meetings, cut down on unnecessary assessments, appraisals and other activities of formalism, and

Zhou Jihua, a professor of the Chinese Academy of Social Sciences: "The saying in Southeast Asia is that Santa Clans lives in China because that's where all the toys come

King Sihanouk's Half Brother Is Jailed Over an Alleged Plot

By Philip Shenon
New York Times Service

The former foreign minister of Cambodia and a prominent critic of Cambodia's current government, Prince Norodom Sirivudh, was jailed Tuesday on charges that he had plotted to kill one of Cambodia's two prime ministers.

King Norodom Sihanouk and a up the allegations against member of Parliament, was tak-Sirivudh," said a Western en from his home in the capital. Phnom Penh, after telling reporters that he had turned down a deal that would have allowed him to leave his war-shattered

He has denied any involvement in a plot to kill Prime

The case against Prince

TOKYO - North Korea

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said Tuesday that it had re- sula Energy Development Or-

and that it would abide by its port all of 50,000 tons which

scheduled to reimburse it the year," the agency said in a re-

energy loss by its frozen nu- port monitored here.

skepticism by foreign diplo-mats and many Cambodians. immunity. He had been de-tained in his home since Friday.

didn't do anything Prince Sirivudh said Tuesday before he was led away to a Phnom Penh jail. "I'm ready to face trial. I will defend myself." He said he would not accept any arrange-

The government has pro-The prince, a half brother of duced no real evidence to back diplomat in Phnom Penh. "Until it does, we'll remain highly skeptical of what's going on

The prince, who resigned last year as foreign minister in a protest over the government's treatment of its political opponents, was jailed after the Par-Sirivudh is being treated with to strip him of parliamentary

U.S. Sends Oil to North Korea

Communists Say They'll Keep Pledges

year's landmark nuclear pact DO have shipped to Sonbong supplies from the West.

Central News Agency said. KEDO is the Korean Penin-

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heavy oil to the Democratic 100,000 tons which they were the Geneva nuclear accord.

DPRK-U.S. agreed frame- Geneva in October last year, will as ever continue what w work," the official Korean Pyongyang agreed to scrap its have to do," the agency said.

public of Kotea as to deliver by October this

tained in his home since Friday. when tanks and troops took to the streets of Phnom Penh, ostensibly to thwart an attempt on the life of Prime Minister Hun

The arrest of Prince Sirivudh was seen by some diplomats as ment that forced him to leave a demonstration of the growing Cambodia.

a demonstration of the growing power of Mr. Hun Sen, who led the Vietnamese-backed Communist government that held power in Cambodia immediatebefore the 1993 elections. The other prime minister, Prince Norodom Ranariddh, is Prince Sirivudh's nephew and

King Sihanouk's son. While the power-sharing arrangement between Mr. Hun Sen and Prince Ranariddh has sometimes been uneasy, both men have recently talked of liament voted earlier in the day maintaining their coalition into



SCHOOL PRAYER — Buddhists in South Korea praying Tuesday for the success of their children in highly competitive university entrance examinations.

Sri Lankan Army Tries to Flank Jaffna

Under an accord signed in agreed framework, the DPRK

COLOMBO - Sri Lankan troops on Tuesday avoided a have come to Colombo from frontal assault on the rebel bas- the rebel-held zone in the tion of Jaffna, instead deploying on a course to flank the town, military sources said.

Government troops, who entered the outskirts of the town Monday, were intending to trap the well-armed guerrillas of the Liberation Tigers of Tamil Eeiam, the sources said.
"Our aim is to starve them,"

a military official said here. With the approach of the army, the guerrillas had massed thousands of fighters to prevent the fall of their stronghold,

Tamil sources said Tuesday. "No fewer than 2,000 Tigers have moved north to Jaffna in

quoted travelers as saying.

A large number of Tamils

The government troops were heading to Navatkuli, where a key road links Jaffna town with the rest of the Jaffna peninsula, which has been controlled by the Tigers for the past five

Monday's government advance to Jaffna's outskirts at

Military officials said houses and buildings across Jaffna town had been heavily boobytrapped with explosives by the the past week," a Tamil source Tamils, and army engineers

Nallur came after Sri Lanka launched its biggest military offensive against the rebels in Oc-

were trying to defuse them.
On Monday, a soldier stepped on an anti-personnel mine at Nallur that set off a series of blasts that brought

the sources said.

"We don't want to take unnecessary casualties by just rushing in," a senior military official said. "There is no hurry to take Jaffna."

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capacitating an entire platoon,

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'If the choice is between caution, which means heavier costs in keeping the supply lines going, and higher toll of our men if we rush into the city center, we will prefer to take our own time," a senior army officer said.

"We are moving steadily but cautiously," be said. Tuesday's deployment came as troops continued a painstak-

ing house-to-house search at Nallur, on Jaffna's eastern edge, as thousands of Tamil and northwest, rebels braced for a last-ditch tive in the east. battle in the heavily built-up

Most parts of Jaffna town gle.

Sri Lankan troops, who are backed by tanks, artillery and the air force, are still 2.5 kilometers (1.5 miles) away from

the heart of Jaffna. Military sources said the army feared heavy street-bystreet fighting if they were to advance into Jaffna, the traditional symbol of Tamil militancy and capital of the rebels' de facto state in northern Sri

Lanka. Some 300 soldiers and 1,600 guerrillas have died in fighting since the military campaign began Oct. 17. Thousands of others on both sides have been wounded.

Three policemen were killed Tuesday in an ambush by the Tigers in the country's east, of-ficials said.

The rebels, with about 10,000 fighters, still control large areas in Sri Lanka's north and northwest, and also are ac-

More than 50,000 people have been killed in the strug-(AFP, Reuters)

Murayama Rules Out Call For Early Vote

based on this.

Korean Prisoners Go On Strike To Protest Roh's Cell Privileges

Korean prisoners began a is of hunger strike Tuesday to mer protest privileges extended to a sources said. jailed former president, Roh Tae Woo, as prosecutors ques-tioned Mr. Roh's closest ad-

visers about his slush fund. his secret coffers, was put into custody Thursday at the Seoul Detention House after being ar-

rested on corruption charges. More than 50 inmates at the

SEOUL — Dozens of South Tuesday over what they believe orean prisoners began a is official coddling of the forpresident,

Like other detained VIPs, Mr. Roh has a cell to himself, but media reports say that his room is double the usual size Mr. Roh, who confessed he amassed \$654 million during his 1988-1992 term in office and still keeps \$242 million in even in the icy winter.

Prosecutors questioned Kim Chong In. Mr. Roh's former economic affairs secretary, an initial 10 days and then for a over the fund his former boss

soon to bring in Lee Won Joe, a former member of Parliament who was in Mr. Roh's inner

circle. Both of them have been barred from leaving the coun-'I will reveal all that is still in doubt," Mr. Kim told re-

Prosecutors have until Dec. 5 to charge Mr. Roh formally, a prosecution official said. He said under South Korean law they can detain Mr. Roh for

further 10 days if necessary.

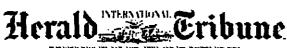
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Agence France-Presse TOKYO - Prime Minister Tomiichi Murayama, boosted by his role as host of an Asia-Pacific Economic Cooperation summit meeting, on Tuesday ruled out a snap election to settle domestic political

unrest The Asahi newspaper reported, meanwhile, that the governing coalition
was likely to wait until after a state budget is formed
next spring before dissolving the Diet.
"We shall not allow any

vacuum in politics," Mi Murayama said when asked about the possibility of an election before the Diet's term ends in mid-1997.

However, Mr. Murayama told a press conference wrapping up his chairmanship of the summit talks on Sunday: "Japan's leadership has been given high marks from participating countries. I will pursue politics with confidence

China Cracks Down on Foreigners

Agence France-Presse
BEIJING — China has expelled 15,000 foreigners in the last five years for committing crimes, including political crimes, and has launched a campaign to crack down on foreign subversives, a Chinese news service reported Tuesday.

An official of the Public Security Ministry said increasing numbers of "hostile elements" eigners were implicated had been handled by police in 1994 alone. He added that the minofficial news agency reported.

The official did not give desaid 15,000 cases in which for China.

alone. He added that the minhad entered China in recent istry had recently ordered tighter years to participate in activities frontier controls and controls on that endangered Chinese sov- hotels frequented by foreigners, ereignty, security and political to be vigilant in issuing visas and social stability, the semi-and to deal swiftly with criminal matters involving foreigners.

He said the ministry also had tails of the crimes committed or decided to deal more severely the nationalities of those ex- with the increasing number of pelled over the last five years but foreigners working illegally in

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French Police Arrest 5 In Bombing Investigation undergo treatment.

PARIS — The French police detained five people on Tuesday suspected of ties to Muslim extremists blamed for a series of bomb attacks in France, the Interior Ministry said.

The ministry said the police had searched and questioned suspects in and around the central cities of Lyon and Orleans and the northern city of Arras. Judicial sources said the arrests were tied to a suspected Islamic network around

terror attacks died of his injuries Tuesday, raising the death toll in that attack to eight.

The victim, identified only as a 35-year-old engineer, died of complications from injuries suffered in the bombing, at the Saint-Michel station. There have been no fatalities in the seven other incidents. The eight attacks have left 160 people injured. (Reuters, AP)

Ex-Nazi Is Back in Rome

ROME — Erich Priebke, 82, a former Nazi officer accused of helping to organize the World War II massacre of 335 civilians, was returned to Rome on Tuesday after losing a 17month extradition struggle with Argentina. Mr. Priebke is due to stand trial for his

involvement in the massacre, which took place in retaliation for the ambush killings by Italian partisans of 32 German soldiers. Rome's German occupiers then ordered 10

Italians killed for each German, and later raised that total by 15. Mr. Priebke admitted taking part in the slayings but said he was only obeying orders

Chirac Thanks 3 Backers

PARIS - President Jacques Chirac of France on Tuesday thanked Germany, Spain and Greece, in letters to their leaders, for abstaining on a United Nations resolution condemning French nuclear testing.

France has reacted angrily to other members of the 15-nation European Union. France and Britain — the other EU nuclear power — were the only EU nations that voted against the

Papandreou Recovering

ATHENS - Prime Minister Andreas Papandreou, who was being treated for pneumonia, was placed on a respirator Tuesday, but doctors said his condition was "satisfacto-

"Twenty-four hours after the prime minister's admission, the developments of his health appear satisfactory," said Grigoris Skalkeas, vice president of the Onassis Cardiac Surgery Center. "Mechanical support has been used to aid his breathing functions. This

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can last for a few hours or some days, depending on the condition." He said he did not know how long Mr. Papandreou might have to

U.K. Woman Is Convicted

GLOUCESTER, England — Rosemary West was found guilty Tuesday of murdering her daughter Heather and her stepdaughter,

Charmaine. The jury was sent back to deliberate eight other murder charges against the 41-year-old mother of eight, who had been charged in the

so-called "House of Horrors" murders. The police did not disclose the names or nationalities of those held. Meanwhile, a man wounded in the July 25 bombing that began the

Turkish Vote Date Upheld

ANKARA — Turkey can hold early general elections on Dec. 24, a board of judges said Tuesday, ending two months of political uncertainty

The board chairman, Nihat Yavuz, said that the annulment by Turkey's Constitutional Court of two clauses in the election law would not affect the timetable for the polls.

The Constitutional Court on Saturday canceled two articles of the law regulating polls after a challenge by members of Parliament, It ordered that a relatively high regional minimum vote requirement be lowered and countrywide constituencies for 100 new deputies be scrapped.

EU events scheduled for Wednesday:

BRUSSELS: Weekly meeting of European Commissioners to announce economic forecasts for 1996-1997.

BRUSSELS: Meeting between the Slovak deputy prime minister, Jozeph Kalman, and the European commissioners for agriculture and social affairs.

BRUSSELS: Meeting between François Perigot, president of UNICE, the European employers association, and the European commissioner in charge of monetary questions, Yves-Thibault de Silguy.

BRUSSELS: Meeting between the director-general of the International Air Transport Association and the European commissioner in charge of research and education, Edith

BRUSSELS: Second day of the plenary session of the Economic and Social Affairs

Sources: Agence Europe, AFP

Germans

By Alan Cowell New York Times Service

BONN — Only days after the Vatican strengthened its ban on the ordination of women as priests, Roman Carholic dissidents here raised a new challenge to Pope John Paul II with a petition signed by more than a million German Catholics opposed to his views on a celibate, male-only priesthood and traditional sexual morality.

The petition was immediately dismissed by Bishop Karl Lehmann of Mainz, chairman of the German Bishops Conference, as divisive. But, coming so soon after a similar display of restiveness among 'Catholics in Austria, the petition highlighted a growing rift between the Pope and Catholics in some of Europe's most affluent centers.

inspired by the protest in Austria earlier this year when 500,000 rency, people, far more than organizers had forecast, signed a list of demands calling for a married priesthood that included both men and women and for a more liberal approach to homosexu-

The Austrian petition, which followed allegations of sexual ure," he said. misconduct against Cardinal Hans-Hermann Groer, archbishop of Vienna and the head ganizers as a huge success because support came from roughly half the estimated 1 million Austrians who regularly attend Mass.

The organizers of the German petition had hoped for a similar proportion of the 5 million regular churchgoers among Germany's 28 million Catholics.

The results, announced Monday, showed that 1.8 million people had signed the appeal, an estimated 1.5 million of them Catholics. Still, the large number of signatories inspired Bishop Lehmann to acknowledge "that there is a very strong need for dialogue.'

Papal Ban Blunt Warning About EU's Future Challenged Bloc Runs Risk of Political Deadlock, González Says By a Million

By Tom Buerkie International Herald Tribune

BRUSSELS - In a blum warning to his fellow European Union leaders on Tuesday, Prime Minister Felipe González of Spain said the Union ran the risk of political deadlock because the leaders were unwilling to tackle the main challenges facing the bloc through the end of the decade.

In an interview with eight newspapers here, Mr. González said he was rebuffed by his colleagues at an informal EU summit meeting in September when he called for a coherent strategy for confronting the major issues on the EU agenda.

They include negotiations starting next year to reform EU governing institutions, the start of membership negotiations with the countries of Central and Eastern Europe, an overhaul of the EU budget and its huge farm and development programs to pe's most affluent centers. make enlargement affordable, The petition in Germany was and decisions in 1998 on the launching of a single EU cur-

> My worry today is that when I try to talk about the medium term, the majority of my colleagues don't want to talk about it." Mr. González said. Any attempt to take on those interrelated issues one by one "would guarantee fail-

Mr. González also said he believed the Union would have to begin membership negotiaof the Austrian Bishops Con-tions with Central and East Euference, was viewed by its or- ropean countries in 1998, as those countries are seeking. It

11 in Russia Shot Dead In Gangster Turf Clash

The Associated Press MOSCOW — Eleven people were shot and killed in what police believed was a turf battle between criminal clans in Saratov, a southern Russian city known for its toughness, a news agency reported Tuesday.

The attack occurred in an office, the Itar-Tass press agency

would be "absolutely illogical and unrealistic" to deny a 1998 starting date to the East Europeans when the Union has

Cyprus and Malta, he said.

The comments by Mr. González were the clearest yet from any EU leader about the as criteria for entering monetimetable for negotiations, and come at a time of growing fear changed.
in the Fast that membership is Said slipping as an EU priority be-cause of its big budget cost.

indicated, and the Union will have to insist on long transition periods of 10 to 14 years before giving the East Europeans full access to EU farm and develbiggest benefactor of those sub-

opment subsidies. As the sidies today, Spain stands to lose the most from EU enlarge-

dressed in the 90-minute interiors is a consensus in his favor, but view, Mr. González:

 Supported Germany's call already promised as much to for a stability pact to ensure Solana, a leading contender to among countries that join a single European currency, as long tary union remained

monetary would reinforce political cohesion in a growing Union by the Union's economic, political The negotiations will not be requiring members to conduct easy or quick, Mr. González economic policy in a "strongly coordinated" manner.

 Predicted that Britain would join a single currency, such a strategy in Madrid on perhaps by 2003, in order to safeguard London's position as a leading financial center.

Said his government would

consider nominating Foreign Javier Solana Minister Madariaga to become secre-

Among other issues ad- tary-general of NATO if there was not campaigning for the tighter budgetary discipline succeed Mr. González as head of the Spanish Socialist Party. would cause "some internal

problems," he said. What is needed to regain public support for European integration, Mr. González said, is an overall strategy for meeting and security challenges in the

next five years. He held out little hope that leaders would make a start on Dec. 15 and Dec. 16, because their agenda already is overcharged with a flurry of reports and meetings with leaders of Eastern Europe and the Mercosur bloc of Latin American

Students Across France Protest Overcrowding and Poor Prospects

PARIS - University stu-

dents, angered by poor facilities, overcrowding and looming unemployment, marched in cities across France on Tuesday to press their demands for more government spending.

The students marched in Paris from the Place Saint-Michel in the heart of the Latin Quarter to the Education Ministry, Chanting, "Angry stu-dents, we are sick of the mess," and carrying signs reading

Police estimated the number of protesters at about 10,000, while organizers claimed the figure was twice that.

They were joined by tens of thousands of others from more than 20 universities in cities across France, from Lille in the north to Rennes in the west and Montpellier in south.

Everywhere their demands were the same.

Paris. "The whole system is

completely dilapidated. The demonstrations Tuesday were a test for the embattled government of the conservative prime minister, Alain Juppé, which is trying to reduce a 322 billion franc (\$64.4 billion)

budget deficit this year. On Sunday, Mr. Juppé said his government would make an effort to find additional funding for the universities, but he added that this could be done only within the current budget

Speaking before the National Assembly, Education Minister François Bayrou promised to

unveil an emergency plan. In the past, a succession of French governments were forced to give in to student demands in exchange for social

Williot said as he marched in dent, "They only pay attention to us when we rant and rave.' The march Tuesday culmi-

nated a month of protests that began in the Normandy city of Rouen, where students struck for three weeks. That conflict was settled

give the university an additional 9 million francs and to create 200 more teaching posts. But the success of the Rouen

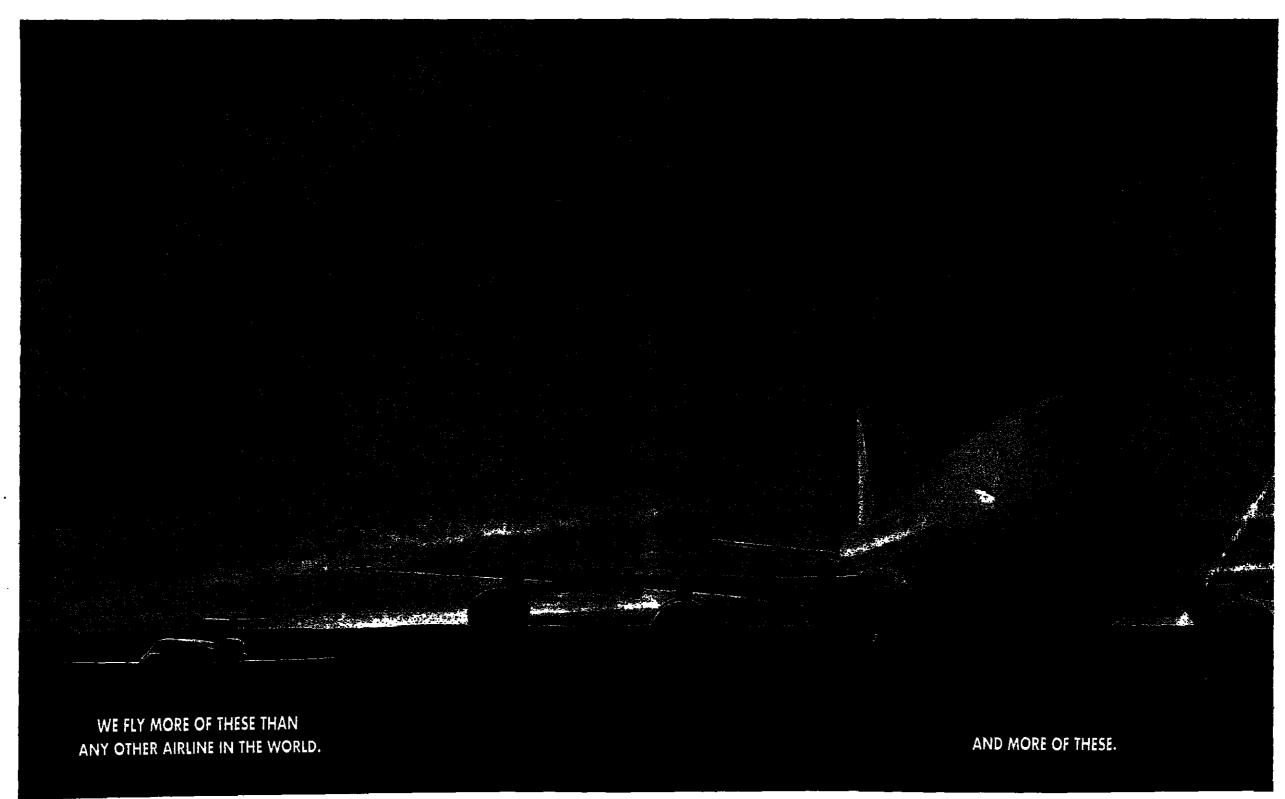
when the government agreed to

students inspired action at other universities. The heart of the problem is

that the number of university students has increased dramatically in recent years, while the budget has not kept pace. From 300,000 in 1968, the year of the student-worker

protests, the number of students has grown to 2.2 million, dispersed in 90 state universities. This year's budget of 43 bil-

"We are scandalized and fu-rious over the way the university higher than in 1994, while the "We need more facilities, problem is treated," said Félix number of students grew by 6 we need more teachers," David Cau, a 20-year-old history stupercent over last year.



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By Christopher S. Wren

UNITED NATIONS, New York — Strapped for cash and dogged by failures in Bosnia and Somalia, the United Nations is dramatically scaling ed Nations had 78,744 soldiers back its readiness to keep peace and military and police ob-around the world. and military and police ob-servers in missions from the around the world.

With peacekeeping costs for its 16 current missions far exceeding the organization's reg-ular budget, officials from Sec-to dwindle to as few as 10,000 retary-General Bourros Ghali down have expressed concern that peace- to regional organizations. keeping has drained resources away from more traditional tasks like development work.

Their reappraisal was also motivated by a sense that the United Nations erred badly in straying from traditional peacemake the beiligerents stop fighting. The organization's inability to deter fighting in Bosnia and Croatia and its withdrawal under fire from Somalia saddled it with an unwelcome image of

The United Nations is not giving up peacekeeping altogether, out there has been evidence that it intends to do less of it.

Despite all the attention given to peacekeeping, it must be remembered that the United Nations has deeper, more far-reaching responsibilities," Mr. Bouros Ghali told the Business Council for the United Nations on Nov. 2.

In his address to the business group in New York, Mr. Bouttos Ghali described the for providing troops that poorer United Nations' intervention in Bosnia as "mission impossible." He summarized the view now prevailing that lightly armed peacekeepers must not be

sent into any more live wars. The future of peacekeeping -and of our system of internal security as a whole — depends upon the restoration of its logic," he said. "In war situations, the international community should authorize the combat forces needed to deal with it. that Washington disputes.

Where a cease-fire is in place. and where the consent and cooperation of the parties is reliable, peacekeepers should be deployed.

During its peacekeeping heyformer Yugoslavia to El Salvador and Čambodia.

The total number is expected Boutros or 15,000 as missions shrink, are not renewed or are handed

In a letter to the Security Council on Sept. 18, Mr. Boutros Ghali said the United Nations could not afford to strengthen its peacekeeping mission in Bosnia. He proposed that the task be given to another keeping into peace enforcement, multinational force, which NAunder which troops are sent in to TO and the United States are assembling.

As of Oct. 31, the United Nations reported that it had 58,763 military and civilian personnel deployed in 16 coun-

In all, 84 countries were conmilitary observer in Georgia.

The United Nations' financial woes have left it with "a diminished capacity for peace-keeping," in Mr. Boutros Ghali's words, because many member countries have not paid their dues. As a result, the organization has fallen so far behind in reimbursing countries countries cannot afford to continue contributing soldiers.

la, after the deaths of 18 U.S. soldiers in Somalia in September 1993, or even to pay what it owes. The United Nations contends that the United States owes more than \$800 million in peacekeeping dues, an amount

ON THE MEND - President Boris Yeltsin, left, and Prime Minister Viktor Chernomyrdin meeting Tuesday at the Moscow hospital where Mr. Yeltsin is being treated.

tributing to peacekeeping, from France and Britain, with 7,485 and 6,407 soldiers respectively, down to Albania, with a single Continued from Page 1 part in the Democracy Wall worked on a labor camp hearth Cinches Province before the Continued from Page 1

Chancellor Helmut Kohl in Beijing, and leaders of the Asia-Pacific Economic Forum in Osaka - allowed Mr. Jiang to sidestep personal confronta-tions over China's human rights "This illustrates, as if any

additional evidence were need-

ed, the utter contempt of the ening noise of class-struggle Chinese leadership for the rule of law and flagrant violations of Another deterrent often mentioned is the American failure to assume leadership for peacekeeping under the UN umbrel-Rights Watch, a U.S.-based welcoming Mr. Deng's "four modernizations" — agriculture, industry, science and technology, and national defense group. "It is a slap in the face of those, including the Clinton adreform plan would fail without ministration, who had been talking about the elimination of some of the most egregious elements of China's criminal

movement, when activists plas- harsh Qinghai Province before tered posters and political es- being moved to the Tianjin says on walls in the center of the area. city. Mr. Wei ran a magazine called Explorations, printed on a hand-cranked device. While was trying to brush up its image attention her husband's mismany Democracy Wall activists cautiously couched their community to choose Beijing to an extramarital affair with a essays in the jargon of the day. Mr. Wei lambasted the "deaf-

slogans. Mr. Wei said that Mr. Deng's democracy, which he called the 'fifth modernization'

Arrested in 1979 and sentenced to 15 years in jail, Mr. Wei served much of his time in

part in the Democracy Wall worked on a labor camp in

Mr. Wei was released early and convince the international as the site of the 2000 Olympic Games. Unbowed by his years in jail, Mr. Wei immediately threw himself back into pol-At a time that many were itics, making new contacts with welcoming Mr. Deng's "four workers, intellectuals and foreign journalists even though he was closely monitored by Beijing police. Mr. Wei spoke out against China's treatment of political prisoners and urged the world to pick a different site for the Olympics.

Soon after meeting the U.S. assistant secretary of state for human rights, John Shattuck, In late 1978, Mr. Wei took solitary confinement. He also Mr. Wei was redetained.

Diana's Candid Comments On Separation: 'Deep, Profound Sadness'

Excerpts from the interview with Diana,

Princess of Wales. by the BBC: On suffering depression after the birth of her first son in 1982: "I received a great deal of I needed was space and time to adapt to all the

different roles that had come my way. On reaction in the royal family to her depression: "It gave everybody a wonderful new label: Diana's unstable, and Diana's mentally unbalanced. And unfortunately that seems to have stuck, on and off, over the years.

On her eating disorder: "I had bulimia for a number of years. And that's like a secret disease you inflict upon yourself because your self-esteem is at low ebb, and you don't think you are worthy or valuable. You fill your stomach up four or five times a day - some do it more - and it gives you a feeling of comfort. It's like having a pair of arms around you, but bloatedness of your stomach, and you bring it

On media pressure: "I was the one who was always pitched out front, whether it was my adored him. Yes, I was in love with him." clothes, what I said, what my hair was doing, everything. So basically we were a married couple doing the same job, which is very difficult to anyone, and more so if you've got all the attention on you.

On feeling isolated: "Anything good I ever done, or was it O.K. But if I tripped up, which going to go."

invariably I did because I was new at the game, a ton of bricks came down on me. There were lots of tears, and one could dive into the bulimia to escape.

On reports she tried to injure herself: "I just treatment, but I knew myself that actually what hurt my arms and my legs; and I work in environments now where I see women doing similar things and I'm able to understand completely where they're coming from."

On Prince Charles's relationship with Camilla Parker-Bowles: "Well, there were three of us in this marriage, so it was a bit

On her feelings when she and Charles agreed to separate: "Deep, deep, profound sadness. Because we had struggled to keep it guing, but obviously we'd both run out of steam."

On Charles's admission of adultery last

year: "I was pretty devastated myself. But then I admired the honesty, because it takes a lot to do that. To be honest about a relationship it's temporary. Then you are disgusted at the with someone else, in his position, that's quite

something."
On whether her relationship with Major James Hewitt went beyond friendship: "Yes, I

On what role she envisions for herself: "I think the British people need someone in public life to give affection, to make them feel important, to support them, to give them light in their dark tunnels.

On the prospects for a divorce: "I await my did, nobody ever said a thing, never said well husband's decision of which way we are all

DIANA: Feminist Princess Puts End to Fairy Tale

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cozy royal nest, the "happy family 'myth has been perpetuated. Diana torpedoed that imtress, and on Monday admitted former cavalry officer, James Hewitt. She claims Prince pecially from women. Yet there William was so understanding that he bought his mom a box of chocolates to cheer her up when the affair went sour.

if the confession sounded like an admission on an Oprah Winfrey talk show, that figures. For the princess fits not only the feminist role of passive wife turned independent achiever. but also into the celebrity mode known as TOT, or triumph over celeb how to play a range of tragedy. Diana as victim, inflicting physical damage on herself because of low self-esher television interview, to the teem and her husband's lack of 100-want smile to the phalanxes

fident, articulate, assertive efit.

woman. The honesty with which Diana confronted her emotions, and discussed her psychological turmoil and her physical struggle with the eating disorder bulimia, will win her sympathy and compassion -- eswas another, more traditional and less appealing role-play: as wronged wife taking her revenge, insinuating that her husband is not fit to be chairman of

the board. Diana's most potent card is her power over the media, of whom she is both an arch manipulator and a quarry. She knows as deftly as any A-list expressions from the doe-eyed disconsolate of the early part of

sador, but also to retain her title

Both matters now rest in the hands of Queen Elizabeth II.

'The war should stop," Lord

St. John, a constitutional ex-

pert, told the BBC. "Her

majesty is in a position to bring

Diàna has also neatly set the

stage for future coups. By say-

these factions together."

of Princess of Wales.

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dependent princess, strengthened by her public support and by her visits to the modern temple of body worship, the workout gym, seems finally to have got a life." But has she?

The question is whether Diana would have any power if she were to divorce herself literally as well as metaphorically from the royal family and the courtiers whom she considers "the enemy" just because their first duty is to the sovereign and monarchy's inexorable bloodDiana says that she is not seeking a divorce. Although this might be designed to force her husband's hand or up her divorce settlement, it more likely expresses the ambivalent position in which the princess finds herself. That is summed up by her semiofficial visit to Argentina later this week. She wants to help reconciliation between two countries recently at represent Britain - and her only justification for that role is as the wife and mother of England's future monarchs.

Diana wants, she says, to usethe media interest to her and the country's advantage, not to "be-battered by it." But fame and celebrity are fickle support in building a long-term career. As she gets older, and her glamour becomes less spontaneously photogenic, Diana will find the cameras move on to other targets. Fast-forward five years. when Prince William will be 18. and his chase and choice of aroyal bride and future queen will be the irresistible and overriding royal story.

What advice would this thoroughly modern mother-in-law give to a woman who will be. defined just as much as Lady. Diana Spencer was by the man. she marries, rather than the woman she is?

Would she tell William's bride to look for affection from an adoring public rather than from her husband? To reconcile herself to a life of public duty. and private loneliness? To walkout before her face is on the souvenir beakers? Or to findconsolation in being the world's number one cover girl?. To take a lover? Or to take it on: the chin? Or to suggest that, for, card for the Queen Mother from a 21st-century woman, marry-an 11-year-old boy and cheers ing a future king could be a ing a future king could be a, worthwhile life choice, of

PALACE: An Offer of Support to Find a New Role

said Nigel Evans, editor of timing has simply shifted far closer to the present.

Friends of Prince Charles sought Tuesday to limit the damage from what was being hailed as Diana's virtuoso performance as victim in her hourlong television interview Mon-

They told interviewers that the prince was more hurr than angry, and insisting that he, too. now wanted to put his failed marriage behind him and to press on with his role as a public

Those more conciliatory comments contrasted sharply, however, with what amounted to a televised rebuttal by Charles's close friend, Armed Forces Minister Nicholas Soames.

Appearing immediately after the conclusion of Diana's in-terview on BBC2, Mr. Soames dismissed her allegations of a powerful palace conspiracy dead set against her, and insisted that such claims merely showed "the advanced stages of paranoia."

Viewed by an audience in

Britain estimated to have exceeded 21 million people (and 200 million more internationally), Diana's interview dominated the British papers Tuesday. The Bosnian peace talks in Dayton, Ohio, the defeat of Lech Walesa in Poland, much less the posthumous release of the long-awaited new Beatles' single, all got short shrift.

Britain's tabloids all led their papers with Diana's confession to having had an affair with a riding instructor. Captain James Hewitt. The Daily Mail's front-page treatment. "I loved James Hewitt, Her Amazing Story: Pages 2,3,4,5,6,7,8,9 &II." typified the nature and scale of reaction in the popular press. Words like crisis, bombshell and sensation all found frequent use.

In spite of some scathing reviews of her television performance from commentators ranging from theater critics to members of Parliament, in at least one of her broadcast ambitions the princess scored big. Having said she would unlikely ever serve her nation as queen. Diana had defined her ambition to be "a queen of people's hearts."

Overnight telephone polis showed sentiment overwhelmingly running in favor of the republic that will hold 49 perprincess, support which only seemed to grow as the day wore

It was not Diana's future po-

Continued from Page 1 sition but the one she saw for public now furnly in her camp, war. But to do that, she has to her husband that set off the experts predicted that she deepest tremors beneath the would very likely prevail not Majesty magazine. "Now the House of Windsor. By hinting only in attempts to become an that Prince Charles might not be international goodwill ambas-

> The war should stop. Her majesty is in a position to bring these factions together.'

fit for what she called "the top

job," and by suggesting that the

crown might better pass directly to their eldest son, Prince William, Diana deftly exacted what some commentators called her "revenge."

By pledging not to leave the scene "quietly," she also threw open the door to months more of charge and countercharge on the battlefields of the nation's television screens and newspa-

That challenge now seems to have been parried by the schedule of public engage-palace's willingness for com-ments. In a visit to the Cornish promise with an adversary that it clearly had hitherto gravely underestimated. Having gathered public support about her anew, commentators agreed that Diana has succeeded in bolstering her position in her forthcoming negotiations with the forces that be at Buckingham Palace. With much of the lookers.

ing that she will not be the one to seek a divorce, Diana has thrust her husband in the uncomfortable position of having to take that first step himself. Lawyers say that if the prince

were to ask for a divorce and Diana concurred, they could cease to be man and wife in four In the midst of all the jockeying for position, Diana absented herself from the scene

at Kensington Palace. Prince Charles kept to his fishing port of Newlyn, Charles toured the British Cured Pilchards factory, receiving a 14-pound turbot from a fish-

Tuesday, Instead, she remained

He also received a get-well from a crowd of about 200 on-

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clared in an interview with Ser- Burns. bian state TV.

We now have borders which cannot be jeopardized because any such attempt will trolled. be considered an act of terrorism." he said. Mr. Clinton reaffirmed his commitment of 20,000 Amer-

ican troops to a NATO peacekeeping force that will be deployed in Bosnia once the agreement is formalized. The speaker of the House, Newt Gingrich, said he looked at the deployment "skeptically,

but with an open mind" and would hold hearings next week The agreement provides for Bosnia's division into two entities, a Muslim-Croat federation that will control 51 percent of the territory, and a Serbian

Sarajevo, the country's battered capital, comes under the control of the Muslim-Croat federation, said the State Depart- ly vital corridor is a narrow strip. ment spokesman, Nicholas Since the war started in April

PEACE: Balkan Leaders Reach Accord to End War

1992, Serbs insisted on keeping the parts of the city they con-"Checkpoints and closed

bridges will no longer divide the city and its families," Mr. talks. Burns said. The eastern, Muslim-held

town of Gorazde will be linked to the federation via a land corridor, Mr. Burns added.

To overcome one of the final obstacles. Bosnia-Herzegovina agreed to international arbitration on the Posavina corridor. Mr. Izetbegovic said.

Mr. Izetbegovic told the BH Press news agency that U.S. mediators proposed interna-tional arbitration that would lead to an agreement to take effect in one year.

"The Bosnian delegation accepted this solution, opening the way to a peace accord," the president said

The disputed and strategical-

of land connecting Serbianheld lands in the north of Bosnia to Serbia proper. The Serbs wanted to expand the corridor, but the Muslim-led government refused this.

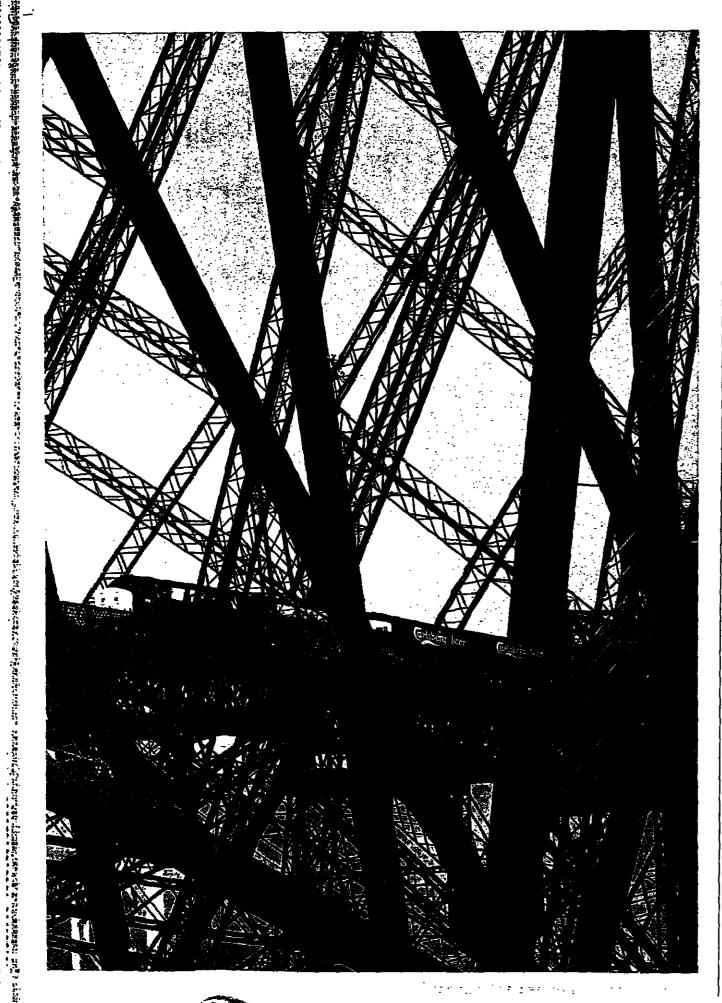
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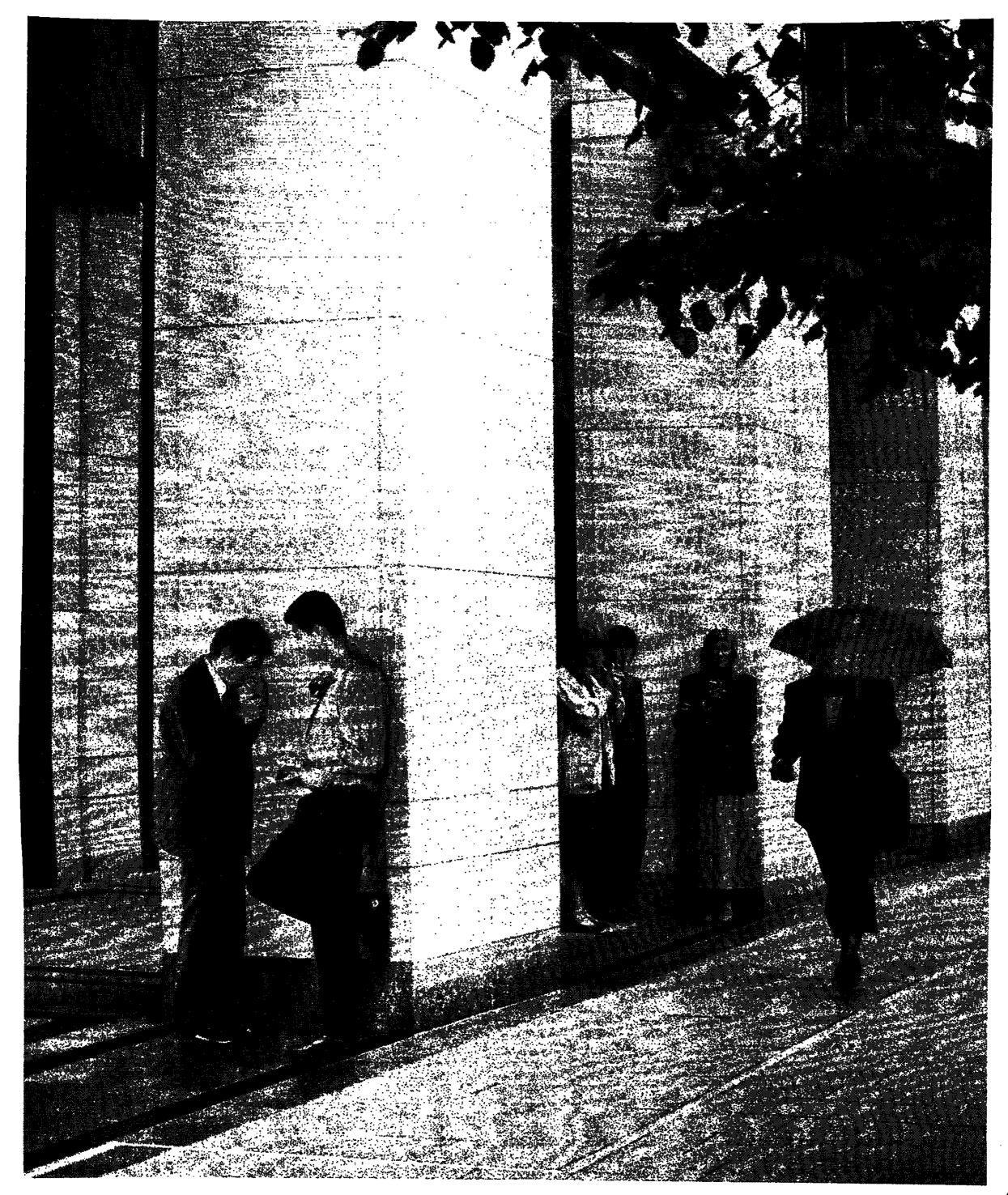
The agreement also includes provisions for a central government with a democratically elected president and Parliament and a commitment by Serbia, Croatia and Bosnia-Herze. govina to cooperate fully in the investigation and prosecution # of war crimes. Indicted war criminals are barred from hold-

ing military or elected office. Mr. Christopher sealed the agreement at a late-morning session with Mr. Milosevic and Mr. Tudjman.

The UN secretary-general. Boutros Boutros Ghali, said the United Nations would do all it. could "to help end the suffering" and to return life to normal."

(AP. Reuters, AFP)





What sort of policy forces these people outside?

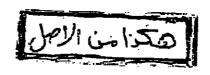
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among them, was suspended.

By Jane Perlez

WARSAW --- When Poland imposed martial law in 1981, thus sending the strike leader others to jail, an ambitious young Communist Party newspaper editor wrote an editorial neither approving nor con- in his convictions. He now says demning what the government that he made the moral choice to had just done.

"It seems important right now for Poles to reject emotrate on genuine social and he could reform it from within. state interests," suggested But fellow members of the stu-Alexander Kwasniewski after dent party group remember him one of the most traumatic pe- as an "elegant opportunist." riods in Polish history.

It was a telling portent of the the president-elect of Poland. Like many of the new, reare resurgent in many parts of

ly uncontroversial politician. Those who have known the 41-year-old Mr. Kwasniewski

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steady climb in politics from an Mr. Kwasniewski (pro- the northeastern border of with a phone call from the par- riod should be forgotten. organizer of the Socialist nounced kvash-NYEF-skee) Poland, on Nov. 15, 1954. His ty's censor, who was infuriated In 1984, Mr. Kwasniewski Union of Polish Students in made his best showing among Gdansk in the late 1970s — the the unemployed: 59.5 percent very point when Mr. Walesa of them chose him, compared was starting to stir against the Lech Walesa and thousands of Communists - were not surprised by his strong showing.

Always, they said, Mr. Kwasniewski proved versatile join the Communist Party at the very moment that Mr. Walesa was aiming to dislodge it because Mr. Kwasniewski thought

with 40.5 percent for Mr. Walesa, exit polls indicated. His second biggest group of

supporters was peasants, the polls said. Mr. Walesa had more supporters with a university education, but Mr. Kwasniewski's support was not limited to the underclass. Overall, he did far better in western Poland, the richest region of the country, than in the southeast, the poorest.

Mr. Kwasniewski was born in Dojlidy, near Bialystok on

mother was a nurse and his by an article in an early issue, a father a surgeon.

He did not complete his economics degree at Gdansk University, a fact that did not come out until last week, contradicting his past statements.

After he left school, he moved to the more dynamic party circles of Warsaw and in the fall of 1981, just before martial law was imposed as a reaction to strikes by Mr. Walesa's supporters, Mr. Kwasniewski was appointed editor of a Communist Party youth newspaper.

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knew that if he published it, he ister Mieczyslaw Rakowski and was promoted to minister would lose his job; if he did of youth and sports. Permanot, he would lose the connently tanned in Poland's win-But as in many other aspects try climate, Mr. Kwasniewski calls himself an avid cyclist, of what appears to have been his rather charmed political life, tennis player and swimmer. Mr. Kwasniewski did not have At the talks in 1989 between to make the choice. Martial law the Communist government was imposed, and publication

and the Solidarity movement that led to the collapse of the government, Mr. Kwasniewski headed the delegation for the Communists dealing with trade unions. Dissidents recall him as being more amenable than many others from the party though still the ambitious 'Some of my colleagues left the party. For many reasons it politician. Immediately after the Com-

was an extremely difficult period for me, although it seemed munist government disinteof little importance to me then grated, Mr. Kwasniewski eswhether I remained a party tablished a party, the Left Democratic Alliance. He said His newspaper was allowed at the time that it would take 15 to reopen in May 1982. When years to come to power. But he martial law was lifted seven months later, he wrote the arimage, and in fact it took only ticle that suggested that the pe- six years.



Alexander Kwasniewski, addressing the Polish nation.

man who on Sunday took nearly 52 percent of the vote and defeated Mr. Walaca to become Aide to Walesa Alleges Vote Fraud

WARSAW — President constructed Communists who Lech Walesa's campaign staff alleged fraud by followers of the former Soviet bloc, he is his political opponent, Alexannot a man of strong conviction der Kwasniewski, and said or a defender of the past, but an Tuesday that they would submit a legal challenge to the eminently adaptable, studiousresult of the presidential elec-

"We have a basis for suband who have watched his mitting to the Supreme Court a

annulled." said Mr. Walesa's campaign spokesman, Boguslaw Kowalski.

Mr. Kowalski asserted that in some localities members of local electoral commissions who supporting Mr. Kwas-niewski placed had stuffed ballot boxes with fraudulent vot-

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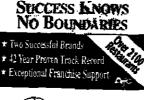
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Bouchard Ready to Lead Quebeckers

By Charles Trueheart Washington Post Service

TORONTO - Lucien Bouchard em Quebec and lead the separatist took to victory in last month's provincial referendum on independence from

Bloc Québécois, surprised few when he returned from two weeks' contemplation and announced he would run Parti Québécois, which governs Que-

No internal opposition to Quebec's and materialize. Because the party governs the ball was in the rest of Canada's the province, as its leader Mr. court. Bouchard would become premier automatically, probably by mid-Jan-

that Canada's fragile unity will be tested vigorously by Quebec for years to

The fundamental objective of the Parti Québécois remains sovereignty, which Quebec has never been so close to achieving," Mr. Bouchard said in a prospects for a Quebec deal espoused nationally televised press conference by the federal government of Prime in Montreal. "They say it will take time. But we have time enough."

ers in the Oct. 30 referendum who tention. said Tuesday he was prepared to gov- voted "Yes," That was a vote for a sovereign Quebec and an offer of ecomovement that he ignited and nearly nomic and political partnership with the rest of Canada, and at the least a vote for change.

anada. The narrowness of the pro-unity Mr. Bouchard, who is opposition forces victory has dispirited federalist leader in the Canadian House of Com- forces and emboldened Quebec sepmons and chief of the parliamentary aratists to launch a final push for independence with a charismatic new

The 56-year-old upcountry lawyer for the presidency of the separatist said another plebiscite on Quebec separation likely would not come before new provincial elections in Quebec a mandated Canada-wide constimost popular politician is expected to tutional review in April 1997. He said

Mr. Bouchard committed himself to governance, an area where his expe- brooding, seemingly reluctant politirience is threadbare. The taxing job of His decision virtually guarantees running a heavily indebted province and reviving a stagnant, and politically the politics-weary province of 7.25 traumatized, economy has nurtured million. pro-unity hopes that the premiership could be his undoing, and Quebec sep-

Mr. Bouchard was dismissive of the Minister Jean Chrétien and other leaders outside Quebec. Mr. Bouchard said Canadian confederation.

This is a gloomy forecast for the rest he had "very low expectations" that of Canada as it nurses the wounds it the rest of Canada could muster an received from the 49.4 percent of vot- offer that would merit Quebec's at-

Asked if "Premier Bouchard" could ever sign a deal to remain in the confederation, Mr. Bouchard said. "No, I am a sovereigntist," the term Quebec separatists pre-

The job at the helm of the governing party became vacant because Jacques Parizeau, who led the Parti Québécois to power in provincial elections only last year, abruptly said the day after the narrow Oct. 30 referendum loss that he would step down.

Implicitly, if somewhat grudgingly

Mr. Parizeau was making way for Mr. Bouchard, who turned out to be political magic for the secessionists during the recent campaign. Mr. Bouchard has acquired political stardom in Quebec as a public figure, a cian who survived a brush with death and elicited rare popular passions in

His views more closely than Mr. Parizeau's reflect the ambivalent desire of the great middle in Quebec to be 'sovereign" while still retaining the benefits of political partnership and the federal government of Prime economic association with what would remain of the 128-year-old

JERUSALEM - Israel granted citizenship Tuesday to Jonathan Jay Pollard, a jailed American spy, on the day he became eligible to apply for parole.

Outgoing Interior Minister Ehud Barak made the decision after consultations with a government legal adviser. Yoel Singer, and awarded the citizenship on the day marking the end of a 10year period since since Mr. Pollard began serving a life sentence for spying. Mr. Barak was named foreign minister Tuesday in the new cabinet of

Prime Minister Shimon Peres. Mr. Pollard, a computer analyst with the U.S. Navy, supplied important military and strategic information to Israel before being caught by American counterintelligence agents in November

He was sentenced to life imprisonment in March 1987. The late prime minister, Yitzhak Rabin, tried several times to intervene in his behalf with President Bill Clinton, to

The head of an Israeli support group, Amnon Dror, said Mr. Rabin had prepared another letter to Mr. Clinton shortly before he was assassinated, urging a pardon, the Jerusalem Post re-

Israel Grants Citizenship to A Jailed Spy Peres Appoints a New Cabinet And Takes Control of Military

By Serge Schmemann New York Times Service

which a moderate rabbi was appointed to rebuild bridges with

settlers and religious Jews. Ehud Barak, the current interior minister and a former army chief of staff, whose role in the new cabinet had been a subject of intense speculation. was named foreign minister. That was the office Mr. Peres held under the late Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin.

The decision by Mr. Peres to take the defense portfolio suggested his determination to assume direct charge over the powerful military establishment during the critical period of Mr. Rabin's assassination on of redeployment in the West Bank, and to assume the mantle of Mr. Rabin, who also served in exploring new avenues, and ation of Labor leaders to the both as prime minister and dethe U.S. State Department's forefront, and in signaling his of Mr. Rabin, who also served fense minister.

In other significant shifts, minister who bolted from the between Labor government last year and Jerusalem next week.

agreed to return after Mr. Rabin's death, became the interior Monday, Mr. Peres told reminister. Yossi Beilin, Mr. JERUSALEM - Acting Peres's protégé and currently Prime Minister Shimon Peres minister of economy and planon Tuesday announced his new ning, was designated "minister cabinet, in which he will direct in the prime minister's office," the Defense Ministry, and to a new position that would place him at Mr. Peres' disposal for critical assignments.

The shifts confirmed Mr. Barak, 53, Mr. Ramon, 45, and Mr. Beilin, 47, as the top contenders for future leadership of the Labor Party, although Mr. Peres, lean and sharp at 73, has given every indication that he intends to lead the party in the elections due to be held not later than November 1996.

Mr. Peres also made it clear that one of the main priorities of peace talks with Syria, which had ground to a halt at the time Nov. 4. Both Mr. Peres and Syria have signaled an interest chief Mideast mediator, Dennis Ross, returned to the area Sun-Haim Ramon, a former health day and was to begin shuttling Damascus

During a visit to Brussels on porters accompanying him that he would present President Bill Clinton a document next month setting out the Israeli government's ideas on the shape of a peace agreement.

Though he gave no details. Mr. Peres told the reporters, There is a place for creative ideas. Part of the art of negotiation is to bring forward alternatives that seem impossible at the start.

Mr. Peres will meet with President Clinton in Washington on Dec. 11.

Under Israeli law, the entire government automatically resigned on the death of Mr. Rabin, who was shot by a young his government will be to revive religious nationalist after a peace rally on Nov. 4.

Mr. Peres left most of the former cabinet intact. But the changes he made were significant in moving a new generown intentions.

On Wednesday, Mr. Peres was to present his new government to the Parliament, where its approval was assured.

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Walesa's Accomplishment

Like Winston Churchill, who fell from nomic reforms. His party, the Dempower only months after the German surrender in World War II, Lech Walesa has discovered that heroic leadership does not necessarily guarantee permanent popularity.

But the defeat of Mr. Walesa in Sunday's election in Poland should not obscure his accomplishments or his place in history. Whatever his failings as Polish chief executive and presidential candidate. Mr. Walesa delivered his country from the long Stalinist night. His struggle as leader of the Solidarity trade union to restore democracy to Poland made possible one of the great victories of the Cold War.

It is ironic, to say the least, that Mr. Walesa lost the election to Alexander Kwasniewski, a former Communist. Mr. Walesa proved more effective at leading a revolution than running a government. During an erratic five-year term, he sometimes seemed more intent on increasing the powers and privileges of his office than guiding Poland through difficult years. His move into an opulent 17thcentury palace was politically obtuse.

Mr. Walesa's re-election campaign was marred by crude attacks on Mr. Kwasniewski and a coarse appeal for Catholic support that left him and the Polish church leaders who backed him looking mean-spirited. In the end, Mr. Walesa's performance eroded the moral authority he had acquired during his years in Gdansk, the shipbuilding center where Solidarity was so strong.

Mr. Kwasniewski, a glib campaigner, distanced himself from his Communist background by describing himself as a social democrat and promising to maintain Poland's hard-won political and eco-

ocratic Left Alliance, played to resent-ments stirred by Poland's abrupt turn toward a market economy, a necessary but painful reform that has brought considerable, if uneven, prosperity for Poles.

For Mr. Kwasniewski, the test now is whether he will honor the commitment to sustain the changes initiated during the Walesa administration. The recent record of other former Communist leaders in Slovakia and Bulgaria is not promising. Poland's Parliament, already captured by parties resistant to change, is sure to present him with opportunities to slow or reverse reform.

Mr. Walesa used his veto power to check the legislature. Mr. Kwasniewski must do the same. Any retreat from democratic principles, including civil liberties and a free press, would be a betrayal of the Polish people and their stubborn resistance to decades of totalitarian rule.

Mr. Walesa was not always an admirable leader. Earlier this year, his govemment resisted allowing recitation of the Jewish prayer for the dead at a commemoration of the 50th anniversary of the liberation of the Auschwitz death camp. His campaign against Mr. Kwas-niewski was graceless. But with an assist from Mikhail Gorbachev, who let the Soviet empire in Eastern Europe dissolve, Mr. Walesa helped Poland reclaim

For that he commands the world's respect and the lasting appreciation of all Poland. Perhaps, like Churchill, he will even get another chance to lead his coun-

-THE NEW YORK TIMES.

Remove Excesses

President Bill Clinton swallowed hard over the weekend before agreeing to the Republicans' key budget demand — a balanced budget within seven years according to estimates made by the Congressional Budget Office. That was a high price to pay for signing a temporary spending bill that reopened government offices Monday. But President Clinton built into the deal enough maybes so that he will have no trouble finding grounds to reject the budget reconciliation bill that will shortly land on his desk.

Mr. Clinton prefers, with justification, to spread out budget cuts over a longer interval. But the government shutdown was producing an increasingly surly public, and 48 Democrats had already voted with Republicans to pass a stopgap spending bill.

Despite Mr. Clinton's concessions, his veto pen remains potent. He must wield it in upcoming negotiations over the permanent budget if Congress tries to scrap Medicaid for poor families.

The Republicans will get their sevenyear timetable, but Mr. Clinton can insist Congress' most damaging excesses. that they soften blows to Medicaid, food

stamps, low-income tax credits, national service, education, job training and other priorities. It would also be useful if he sharpened his attack where the Republicans have gone wrong rather than continue to cater to the elderly by attacking the Republicans for wanting to raise subsidized Medicare premiums.

Is there room for compromise on the big budget bill? The key is for the Republicans to scale back their wasteful, unfairly targeted tax cut. The Republicans said Sunday that a \$245 billion cut was not set in stone.

Congress may also get a gift from the Congressional Budget Office when it revises its estimates based on the economy's better-than-predicted growth earlier this year. If the tax cut is trimmed by perhaps

\$100 billion and the CBO chips in. say, \$75 billion or more, then Congress would have enough money to soften blows to the training, education and welfare programs The president cannot make a good bud-

get with his vetoes. But he can remove

Trouble in Haiti

With one inflammatory speech, President Jean-Bertrand Aristide has changed the atmosphere in Haiti, setting off street riots in which several people have been killed. He spoke at the funeral of a relative and associate who had been shot dead in an incident that might have been a political attack or might have been a simple robbery. But he used the occasion to denounce the United Nations peacekeepers, who include American troops, for their failure to disarm his enemies. and he urged his followers to go after the

big houses where the rich people live.

It was a terrible departure from the message of reconciliation and restraint that Mr. Aristide had consistently delivered since American military forces returned him to his country just over a year ago. This latest speech points back to the style of politics that has kept Hairi in misery.

Friction has been rising in recent weeks between Mr. Aristide and the countries, led by the United States, that are trying to help Haiti. His previous prime minister resigned a month ago in protest over his inability to privatize several industries. Ironically, these industries under former Haitian governments were used ruthlessly to enrich the friends of people in power: Mr. Aristide and his supporters now seem to regard them as symbols of public wel-fare. The United States has begun to hold up further aid to Haiti.

The United Nations troops, including the Americans, are to withdraw in February. The Clinton administration is desperately anxious to avoid any talk of extending their tour because, in Washington, the subject of Haiti is entangled in the debate over sending American troops to Bosnia. Any consideration of a longer stay

in Haiti would undercut President Bill Clinton's assurances of a strictly limited NATO presence in Bosnia.

The Haitian precedent also applies to Bosnia in another and more important respect. Foreign intervention has brought to Haiti a dramatic reduction in the killings. There have been murders in the past year, but only a handful. Under the military regime, there were thousands. A year's presence by foreign peacekeepers cannot create an impeccable tradition of justice and democracy where there was none before. But if intervention can only succeed in sharply reducing the number of murders, as it has done in Hairi, it remains worthwhile.

-THE WASHINGTON POST.

Other Comment

Nigeria Sanctions

When Nigeria's dictatorship hanged the author and political activist Ken Saro-Wiwa and eight others, after convicting them of murder in a kangaroo court, the cameras and computers of an outraged world focused on the troubled West African giant. It seemed possible that Mr. Saro-Wiwa's execution might boost efforts by TransAfrica's Randall Robinson, Amnesty International and others to impose new economic sanctions on Nigeria. But less than two weeks later. the Nigeria story is off the nightly news. and most analysts predict the sanctions campaign will fail.

- Michael Clough and Nancy Bodurtha. writing in the Los Angeles Times.



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Bosnia Settlement Is a Fragile Diplomatic Triumph

PARIS — The fragile Bosnian settlement announced Tuesday in Dayton, Ohio, constitutes an equally fragile American diplomatic triumph, its inspiration essentially an affair of American domestic politics rather than any reassertion of superpower responsibilities.

The mark of a superpower is that it acts in matters of international concern that are not vital to its national interest. The United States has done so in this affair. but for reasons bitterly disputed in domestic opinion. This has meant that the logical follow-through to a settlement, an American ground engagement to enforce it, was challenged from the start.

The quality of a major power is that it can act decisively on matters of national interest. The characteristic of satellite powers is to act only when led.

In the former Yugoslavia, the West European nations have shown that for all their rhetorical commitment to a Euro-pean foreign policy, they lack the capacity to draft and execute such a policy. They have, unfortunately, demonstrated that they are still satellites of

By William Pfaff

The United States' four-year refusal to take any part in the Bosnian crisis was the consequence of the American public's hostility to foreign engagements. This attitude is incompatible with superpower responsibilities and sustained international leadership.

It is, however, a characteristic of American national life today that is unlikely to change in the forseeable future. It puts the West Europeans in a paradoxical and invidious situation. They are followers of the country whose ability to lead has been fatally compromised.

Had Americans possessed their old superpower vision of themselves, Washington would have settled the Yugoslav crisis in 1991 or 1992, imposing the prin-ciple that ethnic and territorial disputes in modern Europe must not be allowed to produce invasions and war.

Had the individual European Union nations possessed the vision and spirit of the traditional European great powers, they might have done the same.

The Europeans have from the start possessed a direct interest in the outcome of the war, as the humanitarian consequences, refugee flows and political consequences for the former Yugoslavia's neighbors are inevitably all European sponsibilities.

The Europeans' inability to act effectively in pursuit of their interest in Balkan peace and security has said something important about Europe's future, making it more difficult than ever to take seriously the idea that the European Union will ever become an important political power. The American intervention came only

because the personal fortunes of Bill Clinton and Bob Dole had become entangled with Bosnia. Americans sympathized with the

Bosnians, the principal victims of the war, whose government has been committed to political pluralism. Senator Dole decided that his career

would be served by calling for the Bosnians to be armed. President Clinton then decided that he could trump Mr. Dole and promote his own re-election by producing

He had an able Richard Holbrooke willing to try. American military power and the country's immense diplomatic resources were used to remake the situation on the ground, and then to get those responsible for the war around a table at Wright-Patterson Air Force Base.

This was a genuine and impressive demonstration of American power. The American problem is no lack of power but the decline in its capacity and willingness to use it constructively.

It has done so in this case for reasons of domestic politics. This is why the case is not one that can be generalized.

The international relief expressed last summer when the United States finally took a hand in Yugoslav events was justified in terms of this war itself but misplaced with respect to America's world role in the future.

What has happened has not demonstrated the return of the United States. It has demonstrated the vacuum of power that exists in a troubled Europe. This is a condition that Dayton has done noth-

The Balkans? American Media Haven't Educated the Public

 ONDON — Promises in international diplomacy, as in business and in love, are often much easier to make than to keep. President Bill Clinton has had his share of trouble in all three realms, but he is only lately becoming aware of just how dif-ficult it will be to send American troops to Bosnia.

Not that President Clinton lacks the constitutional power, or even the political will, to honor this promise. As commander-inchief of the U.S. military, Mr. Clinton can ignore a hesitant Congress and an apathetic public. as he did when he dispatched troops to Haiti last year.

industry.

It's not merely the difficulty

this month as co-anchor of the

MacNeil/Lehrer NewsHour, said

the lack of interest in Bosnia was

not an excuse for such numbers

but was, rather, an indictment

of NBC Nightly News and the

CBS Evening News thought,

among other considerations, that

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in the democracy" of the United States, Mr. MacNeil told

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of the American media.

The New York Times.

But as America struggles with the complex debate over why, when and how its soldiers will be deployed in Bosnia, competing political interests already are using the media to blame each other for the appalling lack of context in which this argument is raging.

The Republican presidential candidate and Senate majority leader, Bob Dole, leads a congressional choir of complaint about Mr. Clinton, who they say has failed to articulate America's national interest in the conflict.

Mr. Clinton offers little defense. Instead, the administration bemoans the isolationists who are now heading congressional foreign affairs panels and the wrongheaded Balkan policies of George Bush. About the upon is the fact that the average American — Joe and Josephine Six-Pack, in the vernacular - couldn't find Bosnia on a map of Bosnia.

But what of the American media? Have they helped create an informed citizenry?

Certainly, American print and television correspondents have risked, and in some cases lost. their lives in Bosnia. But coverage has been inconsistent and

By Michael Moran invariably focused on person- But these outlets reach a small percentage of the American popalities and the video-game comulation — an elite of sorts. bat patrols of American pilots.

Among the small but profes-Michael Goldfarb, a Londonsional core of American jourbased reporter just back from a National Public Radio assignnalists who have put in time in ment in Bosnia, says the Simpson story exposed just how far the Bosnia, network television correspondents in particular, there is deep disillusionment with their

Profits are getting on the air - most have paramount today. covered dangerous, underappreciated stories before. Rather, Entertainment sells, there is a sense that the criteria by which stories are judged, which and Bosnia is not once had something to do with the public's "right to know," have been discarded in favor of entertaining. purely commercial judgments. Robert MacNeil, who retired

American media have drifted from their moorings in recent years. "I think the bottom line has so infected the networks that it's replaced editorial judgment," Mr. Goldfarb says. "Editorial management ac-

cepts without question that the news does not exist separated from the needs of the audience: in effect, it's entertainment as well. They're pandering to a public which is increasingly isolationist and not able to follow the twists and turns of a story like Bosnia.'

These are not just starry-eyed idealists invoking a golden agethat never existed. The ethos that surveys show the American pub- journalism until very recently lic doesn't give a damn about can be traced to the London Blitz Bosnia.'" can be traced to the London Blitz and the CBS correspondent Edward R. Murrow. Having won fame with his descriptions of the European war, Mr. Murrow reington Post and a hand- turned to America and convinced the CBS chairman Bill Bosnia as well as anyone. Na- Paley that network news would tional Public Radio, too, provides never make him any money but in-depth coverage, and CNN, could provide enormous intancould provide enormous intangible benefits such as prestige

yphal tale, but one that resounded for decades at the top levels of U.S. journalism.

As recently as the early 1980s, the major network news orga-nizations still operated under this credo. The American news agenda was dominated by three newspapers - The New York Times, The Washington Post and the Wall Street Journal — along with ABC, NBC and CBS.

But during the 1980s, technology and demographics greatly diminished the influence of the newspapers.

The networks, meanwhile, were besieged by new competi-tors like CNN, independent satellite picture agencies like WTN and Reuters Television and Rupert Murdoch's Fox network. Desperately in need of capital to compete, they sold out to large corporations.

Many journalists trace the changing definition of news to the corporate influence and, specifically, the pressure on news divisions — like divisions producing soap operas or sports programs — to earn money for shareholders.

Over the years, American journalists have taken very seriously their responsibility to educate citizens so they can exercise their civic duties, says Terry Michael, executive director of the Washington Center for Politics and

owners of the networks and papers are not imbued with that alism and are really producers of ring role. entertainment not coverers of news.'

'The standard criticism of so much news coverage is that it's ish, is always where the action is. and political clout if given prop- professor of political communi- ternational Herald Tribune.

er resources. It's a slightly apoc- cations at George Washington University.

"They need a way to make things compelling. In foreign affairs, if you can demonize Saddam and compare him to Hitler, the war makes sense. But that's not possible in Bosnia. So the plot-line approach to journalism tends to grossly distort the story.

Stephen Engelberg, who has covered the war for The New York Times both from the Balkans and Washington, says that the "lack of a simple 'good guys and bad guys' scenario has led American eyes to glaze over. depriving the current debate of vital context.

"Much of television's reporting has left the impression that this is a war between people with unpronounceable names doing unbelievable things to each other for unfathomable reasons,

"That's compounded by the Clinton administration's failure to state the national interest in an articulate way, and a news media unwilling to devote more than 50 seconds to explaining it. But even if they did put it on the evening news for 15 minutes, you can't force people to be informed.

The media cannot pretend politicians alone left the American public in the dark. Mr. Clinton's promise to send troops is "The problem now is the now is it being scrutinized.

If there has been a conspiracy to keep Bosnia off the Ameripublic service spirit," he said. can agenda, it's one in which "They're divorced from journthe messenger played a starcan agenda, it's one in which

The writer is U.S. affairs an-alyst for the BBC World Service and has also reported from Yubeen wrapped around personal- goslavia since 1991. He conities," says Steven Livingston, a tributed this comment to the In-

APEC Governments and Unity: Dreaming the Impossible Dream

MADISON, Wisconsin — Same bed, different dreams. That Asian aphorism sums up the outcome of APEC, the Asia-Pacific Economic Cooperation fo-rum, which just wound up its summit meeting in Osaka, Japan. Each delegation brought to the

meetings its own set of priorities. The blueprint that was issued for implementing APEC's plan to achieve "free and open trade and investment" in the region by no later than 2020 could not have been anything but a compromise. The group's 18 member economies run from New Zealand clockwise around the Pacific rim to Chile and include both giants and midgets in various stages of development.

The question is whether, from such diverse standpoints, the APEC process will prove to be worth the effort to keep it going. If not, the Pacific could turn into a room with separate beds and enough recriminations to keep its occupants from sleeping at all.

The most commonly cited downside scenario for APEC is a Pacific rift following a breakup of the group. The North American Free Trade Agreement, which now includes Mexico as well as the United States and Canada all of them APEC members would leave the larger association and instead expand its membership in the Western Hemisphere. Japan through Indonesia on an exclusively Asian basis. The result: a Pacific rim divided into competing trade blocs, to the detriment of all.

Such a dire outcome is improbbenefits there is diplomatic mileage and domestic legitimacy point to the U.S. habit of encumbenefits there is diplomatic rectinion of the U.S. habit of encummileage and domestic legitimacy point to the U.S. habit of encumto be gained from attending, not to

cally negotiated, precisely schedwoman named Sekina, whose neobliged to leave to cover the war.

By Donald K. Emmerson

summit meeting. But if APEC does not fall apart it could peter out. Initial offers to lower protectionist barriers that

were unveiled by members of the group on Sunday, especially China's pledge to slash many of its tariffs by at least 30 percent next year, are a promising start. But protectionist pressures in many APEC economies remain significant, and there needs to be further proof that these and subsequent offers are as trade-enhancing as they sound.
Should APEC prove to be little

more than a moveable "talk shop" that cannot or will not lower East Asian barriers to American goods and services, American presidents will be less inclined to put in an appearance. If the U.S. leader does not show up for any other than a compelling reason, it could prove infectious. Eventually, APEC's summit meetings could atrophy and disappear, further reducing the pressure on

member economies to liberalize. American negotiators see APEC as a multilateral crowbar for prying open East Asian markets that typically are more closed to imports or investments - or both - than is the United States. The Clinton administration wants rapid, continuous, specific and inwhich presently exists in name only, would rally countries from

Ignar through Indian developed economies and 2020 for developing ones.

The Americans want to level an economic playing field that they consider tilted unfairly against them. But many of the Asians in able. Members will not easily quit
APEC's bed are not dreaming this
APEC. The economies of North
dream. More than a few of the dream. More than a few of the America and East Asia are too important to each other to allow separation. Recurrent bickering perhaps, but of the leaders of developing APEC economies feel that the playing field is titled against them. They cite the vast power and efficiency of the the absence of major economic American economy, including its benefits there is diplomatic technological advantage. They

mention sponsoring, an APEC worker rights and environmental conditions - and wonder if such obstacles are not a ploy to make it

more difficult for dynamic devel-oping economies in APEC to catch up with developed members. The Osaka summit meeting, and the ministerial meeting that preceded it, had to balance such differing visions. By compromising on some issues and smoothing over other disagreements, the leaders and ministers succeeded in keeping the process going. APEC's members are expected to out their plans for liberalization on the table for scrutiny well before the next annual APEC meeting in 12 months, which the Philippines

will sponsor. Implementation of the first round of voluntary offers is to start in January 1997. Yet the liberalization blueprint that emerged from Osaka falls short of what the United States wanted. It enunciates a number of general principles and more specific steps whose precise interpretation and method of application remain unclear.

The blueprint's support for 'comprehensiveness' reflects the view of members like the United States, Australia, Canada, Singapore and Hong Kong that liberalization should take place across all sectors, including agriculture. But its simultaneous call for "flexibility" reflects the Chinese, Japanese and South Korean understanding that exceptions to the rule will be tolerated. Reluctant to liberalize its financial sector, Malaysia said in Osaka that it would not be bound by the 2020 deadline for achieving free trade

in goods, services and capital. At the same time, Japan, which sponsored and chaired the Osaka meetings, left a distinctive stamp on the outcome. While the long-run success of APEC is still questionable, its methodology is now clear. Trade liberalization will not be undertaken through recipro-

bers, followed by a process of consultations, review and peer pressure that is supposed to ensure that each APEC economy undertakes comparable market-

opening measures. Voluntary progress toward lib-eralization will be measured not by any outside or independent body but by APEC's own bureaucrats in meetings of senior officials one rung below the ministerial level. Yohei Kono, Japan's foreign minister, referred to this approach as an Asian-style formula, but he might also have called it a Japanese way of trying to achieve compromise and consensus.

Given the diversity and size of APEC's membership, it was nev-

ments by all members across all sectors. Instead, it will be done through unilateral offers by mem-Clinton's absence and the unseemly wrangling and paralysis over the budget crisis at home.

The scaling down of expectations that APEC will liberalize as rapidly as the Americans might like may even be a good thing. At least Osaka has shifted the burden of proof to Japan and other consensus-minded Asian members that their slower and voluntary methods can accomplish enough to keep the United States and other results-oriented governments committed to the process.

The writer, a close observer of Asia-Pacific and APEC affairs. is a professor of political science at the University of Wisconsiner realistic to expect that in Osaka Madison. He contributed this all the delegates would end up comment to the Herald Tribune.

IN OUR PAGES: 100, 75 AND 50 YEARS AGO

1895: Hugo's Example

PARIS - The Prefecture of Police is about to divide between the 20 arrondissements of Paris the legacy of 25,000fr, for the purchase of toys for poor children. The origin of this legacy is interesting. On January 1 of each year, Victor Hugo used to assemble the children of poor families and present each with some toy or plaything. One M. Vincent was so touched by these gatherings that he determined to follow the poet's example. He distributed toys to children of each arrondissement, and when he died a sum of 25,000fr. was mentioned in his will, so that the little ones would not be robbed of

their playthings by his decease. 1920: Interred Victims

ALEXANDRIA -- Fourteen bodies of women have been found in

tity of bones was also discovered. These bodies like others recently. found were interred in two rows, feet to feet. Sekina, who admitted to killing the majority of the wornen, has been arrested. The police, believe that during the last five years there have been numerous similar murders, and a search is, being carried on actively.

has filed suit for divorce against, Martha Gellhorn Hemingway. court records disclosed today [Nov. 21]. Mrs. Hemingway, also an author, is reported to be at the Hotel Scribe in Paris. Mr. Hemingway is presently residing at a farm near Havana. Mr. Heming-, way's suit charged abandonment. They were married in 1940. The court affidavit described the marhouses near one occupied by a full until Mr. Hamiltonian units houses near one occupied by a woman named Sekina, whose neobliged to leave his wife in 1940

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OPINION/LETTERS

With the Budget Deal, Congressional Republicans Get What They Always Wanted

WASHINGTON — At moments such as this, with much of this town braying about history and historic importance, I recall the movie "Butch Cassidy and the Sundance Kid," wherein Mr. Cassidy and Mr. Kid were stunned to find that they could not, as they always had before, shake a posse. "Who are those guys?" Mr. Kid exclaims.

Deep in a recent night, Bill Clinton must have said precisely that average person, those three years about the Republicans who dom-might not seem like much, certainly inate the U.S. Congress.

The answer, it now seems clear, is that they are people who do exactly what they say. This is the startling news to come out of the agreement the Republicans and the White House reached Sunday night. From the day the "Contract With America" was signed in September 1994 making his stand. By Richard Cohen

to this very moment, congressional Republicans, especially the kami-kazes of the freshmen class who don't seem to worry about coming back for another term, have insisted on a specific goal: 2002. By that year, they want the budget balanced.

President Clinton had his heart set on a different year: 2005. To the no reason to close the Grand Canyon and keep visa-seekers standing in the rain, but the difference is immense. It means deeper and quicker cuts in programs such as Medicare, the insurance program for the elderly. And Medicare, you may recall, is where this president was

So now look at the budget agreement. Go ahead, it's short and more or less in English. It says Congress shall enact legislation to achieve a balanced budget "not later than fis-cal year 2002." In return, the congressional leadership promises "to ensure Medicare solvency, reform welfare and provide adequate fund-ing for Medicaid, education" and

blah, blah, blah. In other words, in exchange for that hard date, 2002, that exact number, that precise year, that goal for which the Republican freshman class was willing to die, they promised the equivalent of "I'll respect you in the morning.

It's true, of course, that the budget deal struck Sunday is a deal to deal cidentally, get Congress home for Thanksgiving dinner.

But even in the negotiations to come, the White House and the one or two Democrats remaining in Congress may find that what is "adequate" financing for social programs will be defined by the number 2002. It is that rare thing in Washington - not an assumption, not a prediction, not a forecast, but an actual date. It is also a big victory for Newt Gingrich and his band of Conservative Crazies.

Humility compels me to confess that budgets and things economic are not my strong suit. I therefore leave it to the numbers crunchers to figure precisely what this agreement will do, say, to the Agriculture De-

another day. The trick was to restart partment. I confess further to having the federal government and, not infaulty political judgment sometimes. But I still know something about honesty, candor and what

> In exchange for 2002, Congress promised the equivalent of Ill respect you in the morning.

used to be called straight shooting. And I think the White House has taken a shellacking.

For instance, even Democrats accused Mr. Clinton of demagoguery on Medicare. The Republican pre-

ciferously was, it turned out, in his own budget proposal. Others say that the president has insufficiently studied the most important issue of our time, the immense federal debt. Of course, the Republicans then showed what prudent stewards of the economy they would be by flirt-ing with a default. On Wall Street, even their pals got the shudders.

But in the last week of infantile rhetoric and just plain stupid be-havior, it was the White House that stood out for truly bad taste: the treatment of Mr. Gingrich and Sen-

ator Bob Dole on Air Force One. Never mind that Mr. Gingrich did act like a baby. The truly repellent part of that saga was the White House's initial assertion that the president was mourning the loss of

mium increase he denounced so vo- his friend, Yitzhak Rabin, and in no mood to do any budget negotiating. In fact, he was playing cards with, among others, the owner of New York's Daily News, Mortimer Zuckerman, a financial wizard, but, people who know say, a merely competent card player.

Washington-style revolutions are odd affairs. This one was supposed to turn on something called economic "assumptions," hardly the sort of cause for which men die and women weep — and, anyway, the revolution is being postponed until after the holiday.

In the meantime, congressional Republicans got precisely what they demanded: a balanced budget in seven years. If that's not a revolution, it's pretty close to a blinking miracle.

The Washington Post.

My Life as a (Very) Secret Agent

WASHINGTON — I have a secret life. So secret, in fact, that even I don't know

But mounting evidence seems to suggest that I am an international espionage agent. Quite the popular one, too. Over the past decade, I have received whispered admonitions in Romanian, tiny aerial maps in German, insistent 3 A.M. phone calls from Great Britain and most recently, a

browbeating in Korean. The Korean incident is particularly troubling: I appear to have flubbed some major East Asia assignment. I discovered this when an extremely irate woman began leaving messages on my office voice mail in a language I could not even begin to decipher. Every night, for two weeks.

Then I went on vacation to Ireland. When I returned, a man's voice was on the machine. "I know you go to Ko-rea," he said. "Is very important we talk before you go.' Then a second message, same voice: "You know, about the, the — uh, the youth furniture."

The thing was, I didn't know. I never do. Much to the annoyance of strangers all over the spy world, I am clueless.

Probably it all began in the early '80s, when I became a foreign correspondent for The Associated Press. I had a degree in Spanish, but somehow ended up in West Germany. My German was unforgettably awful, a cross between Charo and Colonel Klink of television's 'Hogan's Heroes.

And these were treacherous times indeed. It was prime time in the Cold War, with nuclear missiles popping up across Europe like Whack-a-Mole rodents. Sitting at my desk in Frankfurt, I would call all kinds of people all over Germany seeking all kinds of sensitive information - "How many Pershing 2 missiles deployed in Germany now?" "Those war-heads activated yet?"

I always identified myself as a reporter for AP, which, I would explain helpfully, was an American news service. This latter bit I translated literally: "Nachrichtendienst." Nachrichten meant news; Di-

enst was service. Easy. It was months before anyone told me that Nachrichtendienst was slang for West Germany's spy agency, the Bundesnachrichtendienst.

And by then, of course, it was too late.

It all made perfect sense. Journalism was a common cover for foreign operatives, especially from the East Bloc. My name probably didn't

help matters. "Tamara" was an exotic Russian Gypsy name at laughable odds with my supposed Irish heritage. And Jones! The ultimate alias. Tamara Jones sounds like a SoBy Tamara Jones

viet hooker trying to register at a Motel 6.

My first assignation happened in Bucharest. Sent to the Romanian capital to cover a Communist Party conference, I arrived on a dreary winter af-ternoon and decided to take a walk, quickly getting lost. For three hours, I stumbled into blind alleyways, careened through marketplace mazes. I gestured frantically at strangers while slowly pronouncing the name of my hotel. Romanians were forbidden to have contact with foreigners. Everyone looked right through me.
I couldn't help but notice the

MEANWHILE

one person not avoiding me. Ever since I left the hotel, a smallish, grayish man in an oversize coat had been following me. No matter what aimless turn I took, there he was. I knew Western reporters were routinely shadowed by the secret police. What I couldn't figure out, though, was why this one was so bad at the secret part.

The next day, he was there again. He darted up to me and began speaking in a low, excited voice. It sounded like a warning of some kind. My translator appeared. The two men had a heated exchange in stage whispers. and the shadow scurried away.
"What was that all about?" I

"He thought you were some-one else," said the translator. He would not believe me when I told him he was mistaken."

In 1987, I returned to the United States, settling in Denver, where a man in an elevator overheard me saying goodbye other floor. He turned to me: "I am something of a linguist," he murmured, "and I believe I detect an English accent, from the Midlands, I am certain." "I'm from Southern Califor-

nia," I replied. "The Midlands," he repeat-

"No. Southern California." He looked startled, then miffed, as if I had blown some cue. He turned to me as the door opened and he got off.

Play the game your way," he hissed. November 1989. The Berlin

Wall falls, and, now working for the Los Angeles Times, I am sent back to the Vaterland. This time I am based in Bonn, that sleepy little spy nest on the Rhine immortalized by John le Carré in "A Small Town in Germany.'

My phone began to ring at odd hours, usually in the early morning. I would hear the telltale beep upon answering that signaled it was a call from outside Germany. People with all sorts of accents would ask the same question: "Is Belinda there?" And more insistently: "Where is Belinda?"

With a little reporting I dis-covered who Belinda was — the wife of a diplomat known to be Britzin's resident spook. They had changed phone numbers. and I had been given their old one. The German government apparently rotated certain phone numbers among foreigners, pre-

sumably to ease monitoring.

When I explained to callers that the Spook family no longer had this number, they would become panicky. Where were they? How could they reach Belinda? Was I sure that I wasn't Belinda?

I called the British Embassy and was put through to my phone number's previous owner. He was smooth, he was charming, 110-percent Bond. "Terribly sorry," he apolo-gized. "My wife belongs to an international cooking club and must not have given the members our new number."

The calls kept coming. I went to a British correspondent's Christmas party, and The Third Man was there. I backed him into a corner.

"Darling," he said, turning to a redhead behind him, "this is 353391."

She gave me a blank stare. "Who?"

"You know, Belinda darling, our old phone number! I told you how your cooking club was calling her, remember???"

Belinda disappeared into the crowd. Her husband eyed me warily and cleared his throat. "Any interesting calls?" he wondered aloud.

"I told them all to leave the package on the east bank of the Rhine when the ducks are flying low," I said. That Christmas brought an-

First, I got a handwritten Christmas card from the Bundesnachrichtendienst spy agen-cy. Then, I got another holiday greeting from the domestic spy agency, known as the Bundesverfassungschutz. This one was even more intriguing: It was a detailed aerial shot of the agency's compound, out-

side Cologne. Both agencies said they were looking forward to hearing from me soon.

What's the point of trying to explain? Who would believe a spy's denials, anyway? Anyway, the last Korean remonstration was months ago, and I've let the poor Germans down so many times that I seem to be off the Christmas list for good. So maybe it's safe to venture out in a trench coat again. Maybe I've been deactivated.

And hey, it could have been much, much worse. After all, at least I can be grateful that the CIA has never taken an interest

Until now, maybe. The Washington Post.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Robertson and Farrakhan

In describing the beliefs of Pat Robertson, the founder of the Moral Majority, and Louis Farrakhan, the head of the Nation of Islam, William Pfaff suggests a moral equivalency between the two (" Boobus Americanus' Flies High," Opinion. Oct. 21).

The suggestion is inapt. While Mr. Robertson's conspiratorial flights are indeed troubling, important distinctions between Mr. Robertson and Mr. Farrakhan can and should be drawn. Mr. Farrakhan's preachings derive from racial hatred; clearly. Mr. Robertson's do not. Mr. Farrakhan's anti-Semitism is obsessive and odious; he and his lieutenants argue that Jews controlled the slave trade, financed the Holocaust, destroy the ozone layer, infect babies with the AIDS

virus and "suck the blood" of blacks. Mr. Robertson has never expressed bigotry of

It is not helpful to compare the thinking of Mr. Robertson and Mr. Farrakhan without providing some perspective on their differences. ABRAHAM H. FOXMAN.

New York.

The writer is national director of the Anti-Defamation League of B' nai B' rith.

The CIA and Aldrich Ames

Regarding "KGB Fakes Given to U.S. Pres-

idents' (Nov. D: As an American taxpayer, I am so relieved to trustworthy organization. learn that the Central Intelligence Agency is finally able to point its finger at the spy Aldrich

H. Ames as the man responsible for the fleecing of billions of dollars from the U.S. government in its effort to surpass Russia's military. I always knew that the accusations of cor-

ruption and mismanagement against military contractors and the warmongering administrations of the '80s and '90s had to be erroneous. JAMES O'NEILL.

Tbilisi, Georgia.

The assertion that the United States needlessly spent billions of dollars on weapons because of misleading information from Soviet agents is too calculated: It's true that the enormous cost of unneeded weapons was a despicable waste of American tax dollars, but a mistake by the Pen-

ragon because of a CIA spy — no way.

The fear of the Russians that was invented and nourished by U.S. weapons merchants and associated big business, and by the Pentagon itself. was quite enough to spur that spending. ELAINE CORUM.

The articles on how Aldrich Arnes damaged the CIA have focused on the financial cost. But if the infiltration of the CIA by the Soviet Union was so thorough, it is quite probable that the CIA's tainted advice to Washington policy makers hurt America's interests outside the United States. One wonders if American policy on Cuba, Iraq and former Yugoslavia would have been conducted differently if the CIA had been a

STEPHAN ZEYTOUNTSIAN. Eindhoven, Netherlands.

'Oh Boy!' A Robert Crumb Diatribe

By Mike Zwerin

ARIS — Along with Andy Warhol and Roy Lichtenstein, Robert Crumb turned the comic strip into an avant-garde art form. Now, on the contrary, he is involved with "old-time home-made front-porch kind of stuff."

His characters like Fritz the Cat, the freeloading guru comman Mr. Natural, Honey Bunch Kaminski and Angelfood McSpade; his jacket art for Janis Joplin's LP "Cheap Thrills" and the "Keep On poster with three laid-back men Truckin' marching into the future with huge shoes and beards poised represent the Age of Aquarius as much as Sgt. Pepper.
"Crumb." a documentary film, was re-

leased earler this year in the United States. One critic described its hero as "weird with a very big W." Another called his family "dysfunctional." Although the film was applauded as "one of the cinematic events of the year," you wonder why, all things considered, he allowed it to be made. (Word has it he wonders himself.)

He is the sort of person who used to enjoy "sitting on my stoop and watching America In 1993, after the film was shot, Robert and his wife Aline went to visit France, fell in love with an old house, bought it and abandoned the U.S. Called "The have a whole diatribe. I can go on and on." Americans" by the villagers, the Crumbs appear to be living happily ever after down there — except, perhaps, for their teenage daughter Sophie's Cranberries records.

One reason Crumb likes living in France is that he has the opportunity to play '20s and '30s music on his mandolin with Dominique Cravic's band Les Primitifs du Future Primitives). Their album 'Trop de Routes, Trop de Trains" (La Lichère) has recently been released and they will be appearing Nov. 22-25 at the Café de la Danse near the Bastille.

E warned! Crumb gets stagefright. He shrinks from the spotlight like Mr. Natural after a caper. Sometimes he doesn't show at all. He is known for being shy in general, not terribly verbal. Given half a chance, however, he'll speak loud and clear in praise of what he calls "old working class dance music."

"Oh boy!" he exclaimed. He was sitting with Cravic in a noisy café in Belleville: "I



friends in a village near Nîmes in the south of Crumb cover for Dominique Cravic's band Les Primitifs du Futur.

And he did: "Between the wars, people would go dancing a couple of nights a week. Dancing to live music was a really important form of entertainment. All the musicians were working. There were hundreds of places to dance in Paris — bals musettes, dance halls, social clubs, tango parlors. There was a flowering of dance music. It was a fertile rich musical field. Like a field of flowers..." And so on.

Crumb, who is "inspired" when people dance when he plays, met Cravic on a visit to France shopping for rare 78 RPM records. Cravic borrowed a mandolin and they jammed together with a washboard player. The real old deal. Then Crumb went back to "my redneck Okie neighborhood" near San Francisco into which he had -"literally" — fallen after the "60s.

He went back to playing with the Cheap Suit Serenaders. Mostly amateurs, the Serenaders performed their hard-learned ragtime licks on Fisherman's Wharf. Usually,

shrubbery," although money would come flying at them after musical saw solos. He came back to France to play to greater acceptance with Cravic's merry men. They worked Bourges and Amsterdam and recorded. He bought 78 RPMs of the ethnic music of Greece, North Africa and Madagascar in flea markets. His eyes lit up as he talked about old music in old Paris and the obvious question was how can he live in the '90s when his spirit is

"It's torture." He was not smiling: "I'll be in some train station and there will be this blast of horrible music. It's getting harder to avoid. It even gets me at home. My daughter likes modern pop. I keep telling her to close her door.'

more than half a century in the past.

"Is there absolutely no new music you "I do like some new guys who play old

music." Poignant silence followed by a hopeless shrug: "Oh boy!" One night Crumb heard Cravic play contemporary people just walked on by "like we were jazz in a club and was "completely be- And I'm proud of it."

wildered. I was in the twilight zone." Handling various musical styles is a necessity as well as a pleasure for a professional guitarist like Cravic. Just as Crumb, a professional artist, has no basic problems with modern art. Is it that he is just more in focus visually?

Omette Coleman has said that he cannot understand how a nuclear physicist would want to listen to Dixieland music. Why wouldn't an advanced thinker be interested in advanced music? It doesn't work that way. Cutting-edge people seem to savor the past. A modern warfare expert tinkers with old Volvos. A gangsta rap producer collects Renaissance art. Woody Allen, who works in film, an advanced medium, has conservative musical taste similar to Crumb's. He plays amateur clarinet with a professional Dixieland band.

PEAKING of Allen made Crumb laugh: "Woody's like me. He's not a very good musican either. But he practices every day.' "Do you?"

"Sure do. I've even started practicing the accordion. Oh boy!" He looked pleased to be able to report good news about contemporary music for a change: 'The new accordion teacher in our village already has 10 students. Maybe it's coming back. People butchered the accordion in the '50s and '60s. Everybody played so comy. If you told a girl you played the accordion you'd go home alone for sure. I have a beautiful Lawrence Welk accordion record from 1928. You'd never guess it was Welk. After World War II, the accordion went to hell. Like everything.

"You used to be able to hear a farm woman from Appalachia or the Auvergne sing a folk song. But people just singing because they love to, not to become famous the opposite end of the spectrum from Madonna — have just about vanished. Electronic mass media has intimidated everyone. Now you just push buttons to make music. Everything is prepackaged. You don't have to carry a melody any more. You just carry a Discman. People used to get together and sing after dinner because it nade them happy. Remember glee clubs? Making music is just another part of our

environment they've taken away from us. "Oh boy! I'm a crank. I can't stand the modern world. I'm an old curmudgeon.



Cartoonist Crumb "can't stand the modern world. I'm an old curmudgeon.

A Patchy 'Lear' and a Seedy 'Country Girl'

By Sheridan Morley

mational Herald Tribune ONDON - Warren Lear" (into the Hackmanages moments of great somewhere in there you'll find magic and leaves you at others the one you really want, but wishing he'd chosen to play the there seems considerable un-

more obvious Shylock. Greenwich "Macbeth," though Mitchell, one of our most ungrave, whose son Corin now nowhere near as bad. Jude Kelly's production is so full of ideas erful players, does achieve on a drunken actor trying for a that there is no room or time for even one of them to take control or make sense of any of the others. True, she has had the unenviable task of building this first for the ultra-modern Playhouse in Leeds and then for Hackney, arguably the last and most perfect of all Frank Matcham's red-plush, chande-

liered Victorian music-halls. So half-ancient, half-modern

rain to fall during the storm.

certainty as to which is the di-Like Mark Rylance's recent rector's ultimate choice. Yet Wanamaker and Michael Redbench with the blinded Broadway comeback. Gloucester a scene of immense catalogue of personal and potheir suffering might all have New York opening night hangbeen about.

Elsewhere the cast seems ill is understandable: there are ma-

together new track.

At one moment spectacular Atlantic) of all American for all seasons: seen over here 40 years ago as

THE LONDON STAGE

"Winter Journey" with Sam

But nowhere in Annie Casbrilliance as two old men with a tledine's makeshift and elsewhere very undercast new pro-

ing over your hangover.
The tension, the sense of terat ease with the verse and the ror and waste and loss, and posplay, as time and time again sible private and public re-Mitchell is left to kick-start it demption, are all reduced to back into action on some al- some little local difficulty backstage at some singularly under-

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Claus and the Victorian special Clifford Odets, one of the great-raises about the price of fame "King effects at Hackney allow real est and most shamefully ne- and the destructive yet seducglected (on both sides of the tive power of the footlights.

One of the perennial myths of the modern British theater, like the theory that the coming of John Osborne at the Royal Court made Rattigan and Coward unplayable and unnecessary, is the belief that after "Betimate revue. Happily Michael

chine-gun-toting terrorists here, but Mitchell himself wanders around like a displaced Santa try Girl." Written in 1950 by face with the issues that Odets possible. At that address in the last couple of years, we've had "Kit & the Widow" and a good Cole Porter songbook, and now (from the RSC at Stratford and the Barbican) we get "The his father's stock in trade: as words-and-music anthology in

> Some of the material here turning to Elsinore just after Hamlet's death and inquiring as to the health of his immediate circle, and (in the week of The rest of the company are so Robert Stephens's death) a heartbreaking musical lament for Falstaff. Other songs and THE BLACK ALBUM sketches work much less well, but that's the great asset of a revue: there'll be something

better along in a minute. Christopher Luscombe, who devised the show with the pianist Malcolm McKee, leads an amiable and talented quartet who work their way through such familiar numbers as Cole Porter's "Brush Up Your Shakespeare" and Stephen Sond-heim's brilliant setting for "Fear No More the Heat of the Sun" as well as such more recent material as Perry Pontac's vision of Prince fan, dope fan, sex fan, the hand of Desdemona to her



BOOKS

By Hanif Kureishi. 287 pages.

\$22. Scribner. Reviewed by

Dennis Drabelle

THE title of Hanif Kureishi's speedy second novel, which takes place in London just after the fatwa has come down against Salman Rushdie (1989), refers to a work by the Artist Still Happily Known as Prince. Shahid Hasan, the Pakistani-English protagonist, is a though his primary occupation is supposed to be studying.

Contrary to stereotype, Shahid comes from money. When his brother, Chili, married the redoubtable Zulma, 'their wedding video, longer than 'The Godfather' (both parts), became essential viewing all over Karachi and even in Peshawar.

Contemptuous of the decrepit state of English manhood. Chili keeps muttering about "the brown man's burden." But Chili is in no shape to shoulder a burden - a womanizing dealer and addict, he darts from club to club, chasing, scoring and wisecracking. Shahid, meanwhile, drifts.

He loves women, great 19thcentury novels and, he soon discovers, the drug ecstasy. But he lacks fiber and longs for the irascibility that comes with owning a well-defined self. 'Papa and Chili had taught Shahid the uses of a temper," Kureishi writes; "it had been something he wanted to cultivate, but as yet didn't come easily to him." Shahid's dilemma, upon which the novel turns, is whether to throw his lot in with some incendiary British-Muslim activists or to lose himself in a budding affair with one

heroic Deedee Osgood. Non-zealot readers, who by definition are drawn to what Shahid's late father would have dismissed as "booky stuff," will have little trouble guessing Shahid's choice. In fact - and this is the novel's main weakness -- the radicals are such a callow collection of poseurs

of his teachers, the libidinously

that, however long the reckless mind, it's hardly a contest. Far be it from me to manufacture arguments in favor of censorship and book-burning, but I can feel the heavy weight of Kureishi's hand on this causejustifying speech by Riaz:

free and unbridled imagination of men who live apart from the people. . . . And these corrupt, disrespectful natures, wallowing in their own juices, must be caged as if they were dangerous character comes into your house and spits out that your structure, "The Black Album" mother and sister are whores, your door and do bad things to him? Very bad things? . . . And isn't this what such books

do?

All the same, "The Black Shahid takes to make up his Album" has plenty of wit and momentum. Kureishi, author of one previous novel and the screenplays for "My Beautiful Laundrette," "Sammy and Rosie Get Laid" and "London Kills Me," writes marvelously quirky dialogue, laced with un-"We are discussing here the expected images and word

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Then, too, Shahid is an appealing fellow and the action trips so smoothly from mansion to student digs to squatter's hovel that you can scarcely carnivores. . . . After all . . . if a avoid being sucked into it along with him. Despite its creaky is worth reading for its wit, narwouldn't you chuck him from rative momentum and verbal virtuosity.

Dennis Drabelle, a Washington writer and editor, wrote this for The Washington Post.

BEST SELLERS

The New York Times This list is based on reports from more than ,000 bookstores throughout the United States.

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I THE LOST WORLD, by Michael Chrichton 2 SILENT NIGHT, by Mary Higgins Clark

3 THE HUNDRED SECRET
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5 THE CHRISTMAS BOX, by
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6 MORNING, NOON AND
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7 THE CHILDREN'S BOOK
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8 THE CELESTINE PROPHECY, by James Redfield.
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10 COMING HOME, by Rosanumde Pilcher.

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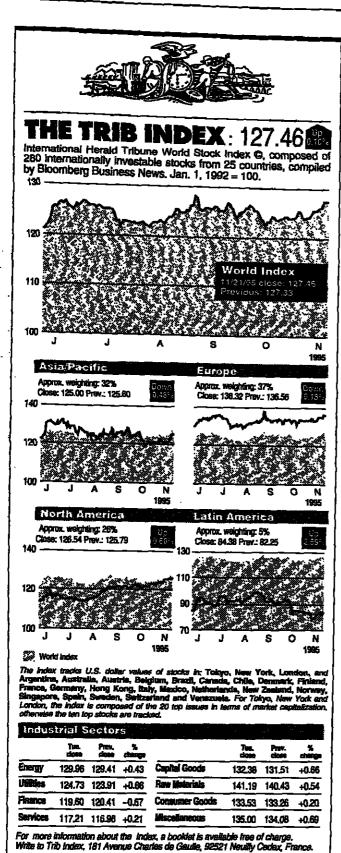
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Germany Takes On Microsoft

Firms Form Pact With a U.S. Rival

Germany's biggest media and telecommunications companies joined forces Tuesday with the world's largest on-line service company in a bid to head off domination of cyberspace by Microsoft Corp.

Deutsche Telekom AG, Eu-

rope's biggest telecommunications company, the German media companies Bertelsmann AG and Axel Springer Verlag AG and America Online Inc. have signed letters of intent to cooperate in on-line services.

If the alliance gets past the intense scrutiny of European antitrust watchdogs, it would pose a stiff challenge to the Microsoft Network, the software maker's new but fast-growing on-line service, and the fledgling Europe Online SA.

The three German companies said they were "aiming to build a long-term strategic partnership in interactive on-line services." They also said Microsoft was "about to dominate the on-line market."

At least for now, the parties are not thinking of merging their on-line activities into one global company, but they made it clear they were targeting the global market.

The deal makes even more uncertain the future of Europe Online, the Luxembourg-based service that is set to go to market next month and has had trouble keeping its shareholders. Microsoft Network

brought about 525,000 subscribers on board since it was launched in August.

America Online has more

than 4 million subscribers worldwide, slightly more than its competitor CompuServe Inc.

'Feeding Frenzy' Takes Hold on Internet Stocks

By Floyd Norris

NEW YORK - Internet stocks — already among U.S. market leaders —have soared 20 percent or more in just the past few trading days. To some, it looks like the greatest bull stampede ever. To others, it appears that shortsellers are being squeezed

"The Internet stocks remind me of the riverboat gambling stocks of a few years ago," said Emanuel Geduld, president of Herzog Heine Geduld, a major market-maker in the Nasdaq market. "The public loves these

But there may be more to it than that. Recent trading parterns - many Internet stocks have doubled over the past month — make it look like short-sellers have been forced to buy to stem losses.

A short-seller --- who bets that stocks are overvalued and will decline — sells borrowed shares and must later buy shares to repay the loan. Wall Street rumors say that

some market-makers — brokers who stand ready to buy and sell stocks to meet public demand — have found sellers tended to do so. Whether that is true or not

bring out buyers hoping to drive up the price and force short-sellers to buy shares in an effort to avoid even bigger

Mr. Geduld said his firm had resisted the temptation to sell short any of the stocks. "Intellectually, they all appear like great shorts," he

said. "But when they are on a feeding frenzy like this, it is The Internet boom oc-

curred when many technology stocks had weakened. The Philadelphia semiconductor index, for example, is down about 28 percent from the peak it reached in September. Microsoft Corp., the pre-eminent computersoftware company, has fallen about 22 percent from its

1995 peak It may be, however, that the Internet frenzy reached its anex, at least for now, during trading on Monday. Late that day, many of the stocks gave up a good part of the

The Dow closed above the 5,000 mark. Page 14.

gains they had recorded earlier, although they all ended with substantial gains.

Spyglass Inc., for example, traded as high as \$112 before ending Monday at \$104.75, a gam of \$4.50 during the day. Netscape Com-munications Corp. closed at \$116.25, up \$5.75 from Friday, but down \$8.50 from its peak. On Tuesday, Spyglass plummeted \$14 to close at scarce and ended up going \$90.75, while Netscape short whether or not they in-plunged \$8.50 to close at

The market argument for cannot be confirmed, but even Internet stocks is that they the speculation can help to will benefit from the next great change in the computer marketplace, in which communicating becomes so cheap that it makes sense to do nearly everything on the Internet rather than have a lot of computing power at your

home or office That may work out. But it is likely to take a while.

Executive Struggle Cuts Cable & Wireless Power

LONDON - Cable & Wireless PLC said Tuesday that its executive chairman, Lord Young, and its chief executive, James Ross, would leave the company immediately, ending a two-day struggle by both men for domination of

The British telecommunications company said Brian Smith, chairman of the airport op-erator BAA PLC and a former nonexecutive director of Cable & Wireless, had been ap pointed nonexecutive chairman. It said it would seek a chief executive as soon as possible.

Shareholders had criticized both Mr. Young and Mr. Ross for what they said was a rudderless strategy responsible for letting the company's share price fall about 22 percent over the past two

Cable & Wireless declined to comment on reports that the executive power struggle would jeopardize its discussions with Nynex Corp. and Pactel Corp. of the United States concerning a transatlantic link between the companies.

Some reports said Pactel and Nynex were considering buying a stake in Cable & Wireless's U.S.-based long-distance unit, because American authorities were expected to lift regulations currently prohibiting local telephone companies from providing long-distance communications

An agreement with Nynex could also inclu an alliance between a Cable & Wireless st sidiary, Mercury Communications Ltd., a Nynex's communications unit in Britain, repo

Analysts said rumors hit the market Tuesd that the U.S.-based McCaw Cellular Commications was preparing a bid for Cable & Wiless. But Craig McCaw, chairman of the copany, played down interest in taking coar Cal

've never had an interest in taking over Cal & Wireless, nor have I ever contemplated would consider a hostile transaction involvi Cable & Wireless," said Mr. McCaw. "We ha never had any conversations with the company But speculation of a takeover pushed

British company's shares up as much as 6 perce to 448 pence (\$6.94), a five-month high, beft they fell back to close at 429 pence, down 9.

That was 20 percent lower than in January, when they reached a peak of 538 pencentary. More than 14 million shares changed hands Tuesday, compared with average daily tradi over the past six months of 4.7 million. Mr. McCaw's statement was released after t

London Stock Exchange closed. Mr. Young, a trade and industry minis under former Prime Minister Margaret Thatch was appointed executive chairman of Cable Wireless on Oct. 1, 1990.

Daimler Approves Cost Cuts

STUTTGART - Daimler-Benz AG said Tuesday it had approved cost-cutting measures, notably the loss of 8,800 jobs, intended to turn around the fortunes of its unprofitable aerospace

The plan, nicknamed Dolores as a shortened form of "dollar low rescue," calls for selling at least three of its Deutsche Aerospace AG unit's factories in Germany in addition to the job cuts.

"The movement of the currency market in the last weeks and the recent talks about a possible alliance between Boeing and McDonnell Donglas underline again how essential the preservation of our competitiveness is," Manfred Bischoff, chief executive officer of Deutsche Aerospace, said.

The Dolores program, which is expected to cost 500 million Deutsche marks (\$355.2 million), was planned in response to losses at the aerospace unit caused by the weakness of the dollar. The unit bad a first-half loss of 1.6 billion DM.

No measures were announced for aerospace unit's Fokker NV subsidiary in t Netherlands, which has often been cited as one its major problem areas.

The Dolores plan's goal is to make t aerospace unit profitable at a dollar value of 1. DM. The dollar, which has fallen 9.6 perce against the mark so far this year, has traded it above 1.40 DM for several weeks.

The IG Metall labor union, which stag walkouts and protests Monday, said it woi continue its fight to protect jobs and prevent t sale of the plants.

The approval of the plan by Daimler's a Deutsche Aerospace's management boards w necessary so that it could be used as a starti point for further negotiations with workers, st. Andreas Breitsprecher, a spokesman for Deutsc Aerospace. "The door isn't closed," he said.

Daimler said it was considering recomme dations from workers' representatives The job reductions are to cut total employment changes in the program. (Bloomberg, A

MEDIA MARKETS

Change Has Come to Time

By Deirdre Carmody and Mark Landler New York Times Service

NEW YORK --- When Don Logan and Norman Pearlstine announced a wholesale restructuring of Time Inc. last week, they also took the wraps off a formidable new partnership.

Although Mr. Logan has been the chief executive of Time Warner Inc.'s publishing division for 15 months, and Mr. Pearlstine is approaching his first anniversary as editor-inchief, last week's shake-up was their first coordinated effort to remake the world's

largest magazine company.

They named top editors at Time and Sports Illustrated; disbanded Time Inc. Ventures, the Los Angeles-based magazine-development division, and consolidated international operations under Mr. Pearlstine.

As a team, Mr. Logan and Mr. Pearlstine are

journalism on glossy paper.

They also projected the message that they are partners, not rivals.

The underlying news about this shake-up is how closely Pearlstine and Logan work as a in 1995—a 12 percent gain over 1994. said Walter Isaacson, who was in charge Such growth puts the division on par with tearn," said Walter Isaacson, who was in charge of new media for Time Inc. and has been named managing editor of Time.

This never could have been done, he said, in the days when the president of Time Inc. looked upon the editor-in-chief as a rival power center rather than as a partner. Mr. Isaacson, a longtime fixture among

Time's masthead editors, moved to Time Inc.'s unfolding electronic world as the top manager in 1993. His switch back to print underscores the new management's focus on the company's core business.

But the two men now renewing the focus on the creations of Henry Luce are themselves outsiders to the culture he created.

Mr. Logan, 51, is a quiet Alabama native who spent most of his career at Southern Progress, the Alabama-based publishing company that

was acquired by Time Warner Inc. in 1983.

Mr. Pearlstine, 53, is a former executive editor of The Wall Street Journal whose circle of friends includes some of the most powerful people in New York.

Both are breaking a long-standing practice of promoting top executives from inside the dition-bound company.

Under Mr. Logan, Time Inc. has become one of Time Warner's most robust divisions. projecting a vision of Time Inc. as a company After suffering through the advertising re-that will not be distracted by the siren song of cession of the early 1990s and an ill-connew electronic media but will remain focused sidered effort to centralize the advertising on its historic business of producing glossy sales staffs of its magazines, Time Inc. is now racking up impressive earnings growth.

John Reidy, a media analyst at Smith Barney Shearson Inc., predicted that Time Inc. would have \$480 million in operating income

Time Warner's fastest-growing businesses, Warner Bros. Inc. and Home Box Office.

Although Time Inc. has benefited from a general surge in magazine advertising, Mr. Reidy said the company was outstripping the

See TIME, Page 18

CURRENCY & INTEREST RATES

Tobacco Ads Have EU Smoking

"The public should not be misled by this publicity,' Padraig Flynn, the commis sioner for social affairs, said, of smokers and nonsmokers are

The statement precedes a meeting next week of European Union health ministers, who will discuss whether to expand the current ban on television advertising for tobacco to magazines billboards and other media.

Executives from the tobacco and advertising industries said they did not expect the advertising ban to be endorsed by the

BRUSSELS - The European Commission sharply critcized an advertising campaign by the U.S. tobacco company Philip Morris Cos. on Tuesday, saying it had failed to acknowledge that smokers could damage the health of others.

citing advertising that argues for greater consideration of smokers rights. "The interests not equal."

The idea of a ban has been broached before and regularly been blocked by EU members led by Germany, the Nether-lands and Britain, which together produce about two-thirds of the EU's cigarettes. (Reuters, Bloomberg)

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Vestinghouse-CBS Approval Is Seen

WASHINGTON (Bloomberg) — Westinghouse Electric orp.'s \$5.4 billion takeover of CBS Inc. is likely to gain its final gulatory approval at a special Federal Communications Comssion meeting Wednesday.

The commission's approval, widely expected to be unanimous, ill be the only item on the meeting's agenda, FCC officials said. The FCC approval is the last remaining obstacle to completing the erger. A delay in obtaining it has cost Westinghouse an estimated million a day since Aug. 31 because the merger agreement calls TCBS shareholders to be paid interest of 6 percent after that date addition to the \$81 a share agreed to in the merger.

 The National Association of Securities Dealers Inc. hopes hire a new chief regulator and a new president for the Nasdaq ock market within three months, but it will need another year to implete its restructuring, the president of the association said.

Ipako Indústrias Petroquímicas Argentinas SA, an Arminian petrochemical company, agreed to sell its Polisur SA it and its 21 percent stake in Petroquímica Bahía Blanca to ow Chemical Co. for \$193 million. • The number of U.S. banks willing to make consumer loans

is fallen to the lowest percentage since 1991, according to a aderal Reserve survey. Standards for home mortgages grew ore restrictive for the first time since 1993. John C. Portman Jr.'s operations and holdings have been

vided into two new companies as part of the second major structuring of the developer's debts. (WP, NYT, Bloomberg, AP)

Proxy Fight for RJR Nabisco Is On

By Glenn Collins New York Tunes Service

NEW YORK — Bennett LeBow and Carl Icahn have begun their proxy battle to force RJR Nabisco Holdings Corp. to immediately spin off its food business from its tobacco operations, submitting the names of nine people they hope would replace the company's current board.

In response, RJR Nabisco assailed the choices as a "hand-picked slate" and sued Mr. LeBow and Mr. Icahn in federal court, accusing them of securities law violations. The company, through a spokesman, said Monday that the two financiers had violated securities law "by secretly conspiring to form a group to acquire a controlling interest in RJR Nabisco common stock."

Mr. LeBow and Mr. Icahn beat the company's deadline for submitting their pro-posed slate of directors for RJR Nabisco's

proxy statement by one day. If the LeBow-Icahn proxy slate survives

April in determining whether, and how soon, RJR Nabisco would be split into two separate corporate entities.

The slate includes Mr. LeBow but not "Carl does not go on any boards of any companies he doesn't control," Mr.

LeBow said. Mr. LeBow and Mr. Icahn, who control 4.8 percent of RJR Nabisco's stock, have

said they will abandon the threat of a proxy battle if RJR Nabisco management agrees to a quick spin-off of the food unit, Nabisco Holdings Corp., which is 80.5 percent-owned by RJR Nabisco. They have also said they are not interested in greenmail, or the purchase of

their stock at above-market prices in exchange for abandoning their battle with the company's management. Charles Harper, chairman and chief ex-

ecutive of RJR Nabisco, has called the potential legal challenges, it would provide LeBow-Icahn proposal "imprudent" and

a clear choice for the company's 450,000 "irresponsible," contending that it would expose the company to dire legal liabilities. lowered credit ratings and the prospect of court injunctions.

In a lawsuit filed in federal court in Greensboro, North Carolina, RJR Nabisco contended Monday that Mr. LeBow and Mr. Icahn intended in their proxy battle to combine the Reynolds cigarette business with Liggett Group Inc., which is owned by Mr. LeBow's holding company, Brooke

The complaint asserted that Mr. LeBow "determined to seek control of RJR's tobacco business surreptitiously and coercively," and that Mr. LeBow "sought to enlist others in his scheme," including major figures in the international tobacco industry to form a consortium under his leadership" to control RJR Nabisco.

A Brooke Group spokesman said: "The lawsuit has no merit. It is just another attempt to distract shareholders from the benefits of an immediate tax-free spin-off of the Nabisco food business.

Tracinda Wants a Seat on Chrysler Board

By Warren Brown

WASHINGTON - Kirk Kerkorian, the billionaire investor, has said his company will seek representation on the board of Chrysler Corp. at the expense of Joseph E. Antonini, who has been a Chrysler director

for six years.

The action was the latest in a campaign by Mr. Kerkorian to increase his control over the automaker.

Mr. Antonini would be replaced by

outlined Mr. Kerkorian's intentions in a letter presented Monday to Chrysler's chairman, Robert J. Eaton, at a meeting between executives of Chrysler and Tracinda.

Chrysler executives said they would continue to review a series of Tracinda proposals. No decisions will be made until the review is completed in February, they said. In his letter, Mr. York said he was more about 14 percent.]

Jerome B. York, Chrysler's former chief qualified than Mr. Antonini to hold a board financial officer, who is now vice chairman seat. Mr. Antonini is the former chief exof Mr. Kerkorian's Tracinda Corp., a Las ecutive of Kmart Corp. He resigned his Vegas-based investment firm. Mr. York post last March amid criticism that he was responsible for Kmart's decline.

[Fidelity Investments has surpassed Mr. Kerkorian as Chrysler's largest shareholder, Bloomberg Business News reported from Boston.

[The mutual-fund company increased its stake in the carmaker to 14.4 percent during the third quarter. Mr. Kerkorian holds

gress and President Bill Clinton, the dollar on the dollar," said Richard Koss, cur-

U.S. economic reports, such as the 0.2 But the dollar revived Tuesday, and percent drop in October retail sales, were weak enough to let the Federal Reserve cut interest rates, analysts said.

But they doubted the Fed would act until an agreement had been reached on ways to

Against other major currencies, the dollar slipped to 1.1374 Swiss francs from 1.1380 francs and rose to 4.8575 French After rising early Monday on a temporary spending agreement between Con
"The budget thing being pushed off into francs from 4.8542 francs. The pound rose to \$1.5570 from \$1.5540.

Blue-Chips Finish Well Above 5,000

Compiled by Our Staff From Disputcher NEW YORK - Blue-chip stocks surged to close above the 941/2 5,000-point mark Tuesday as investors bought stocks likely to perform well in a slowly ex-

panding U.S. economy. The Dow Jones industrial average ended 40.46 points higher at 5,023.55, with Caterpillar, Aluminum Co. of America, International Business Machines and McDonald's leading the

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rally. Food stocks and cyclicals were seen by investors as having the best chance of turning in consistent earnings over the

Coca-Cola rose 11/2 to 761/4. Campbell Soup gained 1 1/8 to 541/s, and McDonald's rose 1 1/8 to 45.

Caterpillar, which rose 31/2 to 59 1/8, got an added boost from a buy recommendation from Smith Barney.

"Right now, the message which we're getting very clearly is that this is a good time to be in high-quality stocks, said Charles Albers, who manages the Guardian Park Avenue

But the broader market did not match the enthusiasm of the blue-chips, with gaining issues edging losing ones by a 6-to-5 ratio on the New York Stock

'What you have is a bifurcated market, a two-tier market," said Alan Ackerman, market analyst at Fahnestock & Co.

A mixed performance in technology issues limited the broader market. Analysts said investors were questioning whether demand for semiconductors and personal computers would stay strong, or whether supplies would soon swamp technology markets, curbing corporate profits in 1996.

Sun Microsystems fell 11/4 to 79%, and Dell Computer lost 1 1/8 to 401/4. The chipmaker Xilinx tumbled 21/8 to 291/2, and Internet stocks plunged. But some high-technology mainstays rose, with Microsoft

climbing 2 to 88 and Intel gaining 1/4 to 62%. IBM rose 11/2 to

"It disturbs me still that technology stocks are as weak as they are, when the Dow is making new highs," said Eugene Peroni, head of technical research at Janney Montgomery Scott in Philadelphia.

"The market is worned about that area of the economy. There's a feeling that there's a slowdown coming, and that's why there's a move into those big defensive stocks.

Worries that the Treasury bond market may be on shaky ground also undermined a broader rally.

The price of the benchmark 30-year bond fell 8/32 point, to 108 5/32, taking the yield up to 6.26 percent from 6.25 percent Monday. Bond prices fell after the Treasury's auction of 10year securities met with weaker demand than analysts had hoped

Schindewolf, an economist at Smith Barney, called demand for the 10-year bonds "tepid," especially in light of rumors that were circulating before the auction of strong Japanese demand. Among other stocks, Voda-

fone's American depositary receipts dropped 4¼ to 33¼ after the British mobile phone network operator said earnings rose less than analysts had expected. Boston Beer shares surged

on their first trading day. The microbrewery priced its initial public offering at 20, and the shares finished at 28. Teléfonos de México's

ADRs jumped 1% to 2814, in step with 4.2 percent surge in Mexico's Bolsa stock index. Federal Express fell 134 to

771/2 on news that pilots who had been negotiating a work contract since May 1994 were discussing possible work slowdowns dur ing the holiday season. Reebok fell 2% to 28% after

Smith Barney lowered its rating of the footwear maker to "underperform/high risk" from "neutral/high risk." (AP, Bloomberg, Knight-Ridder

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Dollar Edges Higher in Seesaw Market

against most currencies Tuesday, but that arduous negotiations lay ahead. traders said they expected U.S. budget But the dollar revived Tuesday wrangling to keep it in a narrow range for traders viewed the move as a continuation the rest of the year.

'We're in a real quiet zone here for the dollar," said Karl Halligan, strategic currency trader for CIC Bank New York. The dollar closed at 1.4081 Deutsche bands. In the last two months, the dollar has

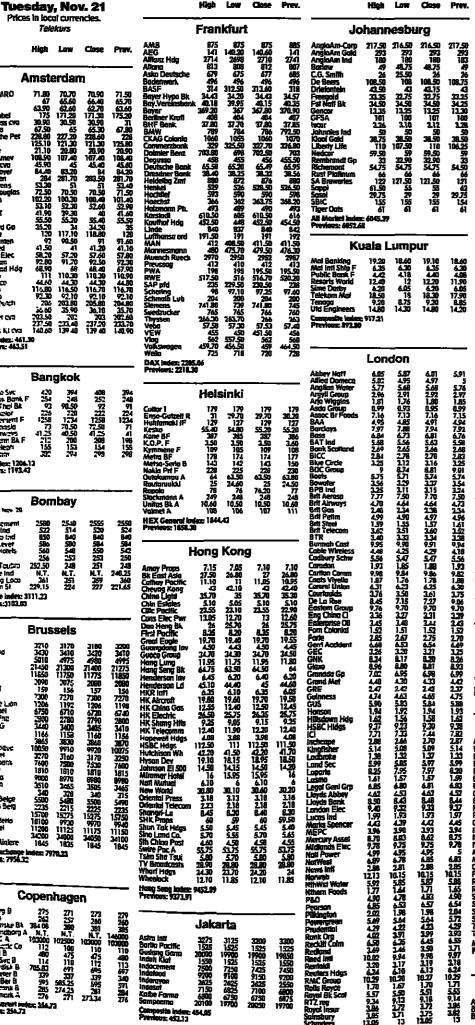
marks, up from 1.4075 DM on Monday, and at 101.50 yen, up from 101.34 yen.

NEW YORK — The dollar rose slightly fell back as market participants realized rency strategist for MFR Inc.

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Thorn EMI Posts Rise in Profit but Won't Talk of Split

LONDON - Thom EMI PLC, the British music, retail and rentals group, said Tuesday its first-half pretax profit rose 44 percent from a year ago, but the company would not say when or if it would spin off its

music division. Work progresses on the potential demerger of the group. and we expect to be in a position to make a further announcement early next year," said the company's chairman, Sir Colin Southgate.

Simon Duffy, the finance director, would only say the company was working on tax-related issues. He would not say if Thom EMI was confident the demerger would be completed.

Thom EMI said profit before tax for the half year ended on Sept. 30 rose to £179.7 million (\$277.9 million), from £124.8 million a year earlier. Revenue rose 13 percent, to £2.19 billion from £1.94 billion.

*The results were in line with the consensus forecast," said Miriam Shea of Goldman, Sachs 9.75.

& Co. "All divisions saw a good

increase in profitability Stock in the company fell 27 pence, to £15.20. Analysts said the drop reflected disappointment over the lack of details about the demerger plans.

"No one was expecting too much detail, but they were expecting something more specific than this," one analyst said.

The EMI music unit, which owns recording labels such as Capitol and Virgin, posted a 23 percent rise in profit, to £124.6 million, as sales rose 29 per-

cent, to £1.13 billion. EMI said it expected a strong full year. The company re-leased this week the "Beatles Anthology," which is expected to be a popular Christmas gift.

Other successful releases include "Pulse," by Pink Floyd, and "The Great Escape," by Blur. The company said 11 albums had sold more than a million units during the half year, compared with 8 last year.

Thorn EMI raised its interim dividend to 10.5 pence from (Bloomberg, Reuters)

British Land Acquires The Rest of Broadgate

LONDON - British Land Co., one of Britain's largest property owners, said Tuesday it would take full control of Broadgate Properties, a central London office development, as well as acquiring 10 further commercial properties.

British Land also said it million, it said. would raise £222.5 million pay for the retail properties.

The company said shareholders would be given the right to vote on the Broadgate acquisition, which would include the assumption of about £800 million in debt.

Broadgate, which includes two

that house stockbrokers and investment banks, in March when it bought Broadgate's partner Stanhope Properties PLC for

£125 million. The purchase of the 10 retail properties, including properties in England, Scotland and Wales, would cost about £148.2

Selwyn Jones, analyst at (\$346 million) through an issue Crédit Lyonnais Laing, said of 61.6 million new shares to British Land was "buying prime assets with good prospects for rental reversions." This, he said, meant the company was "carrying on the trend of the last several years."

The share offer will be made on the basis of one new or-British Land bought half of dinary share for every six owned, at a price of 370 pence a prime developments in London share. (Reuters, Bloomberg)

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Pulp Fiction in Sweden? Forestry Firm Says Prices Have Peaked

STOCKHOLM - The forestry group AssiDoman AB said Tuesday that prices for a benchmark product, softwood pulp, had

peaked and that markets for other key products

were weakening.

While the underlying trend in the business cycle was not negative, the company said, a new phase was beginning that would push prices for most forestry products downward. Lennart Ahlgren, president of AssiDoman, said he expected the price of pulp to fall to \$900 a metric ton from its current level of

\$1,000 by the beginning of 1996. The forestry industry has been a focus of attention on the Stockholm bourse in recent weeks, with investors playing a wait-and-see game as pulp producers attempted to make price increases stick. Some producers halted production to jack up demand, but many users responded by tapping into existing stocks in-

stead of accepting higher price levels.

While some industry analysts had said

prices of many forestry products, including pulp, had peaked, AssiDoman was the first major producer to give such an indication.

Mr. Ahlgren said he believed the industry

had embarked on a period of slow decline, rejecting the so-called temporary-dip scenario that has been espoused by some industry "We are more adherents of the school that

believes in a calm, gradual decline," he said. AssiDoman also reported a 165 percent leap in profit for the first nine months of the year, to 3.41 billion kroner (\$519.8 million). Revenue increased 35 percent, to 16.65 billion kroner.
Higher profit resulted from price increases
and improving sales volume for all the group's

main products, as well as from improved productivity, AssiDoman said. Mr. Ahlgren said it was "likely" the company would unveil an acquisition soon, pos-

sibly this year. He declined to elaborate, but he said talks had focused on fluted-board and paper-sack producers. (Reuters, AFX)

Investor Holds Onto Saab — for Now

STOCKHOLM - Investor AB, a Swedish holding company, said Tuesday it was not considering selling its 50 percent stake in Saab Automobile AB, and it refused to say whether the issue could arise soon.

Investor currently is in talks with General Motors Corp. about the future of Saab, which Investor and GM jointly own.

There is no talk about selling the stake right now," said Adine Grate Axen, head of investor relations at Investor.

She declined to comment on whether the matter could arise later. "I can say today that we are in talks with GM regarding a number of alternatives to improve the situation," Chief Executive Claes

Stockholm. "Examples are ways to reduce Saab Auto's dollar sensitivity, increase volumes and consider more car models." The comments followed speculation that

Investor was considering buying its way out of its 50 percent stake in Saab Auto. Benefits of full GM ownership are clearly stronger for Saab Auto than for GM itself, which already has seven car and truck di-visions, said Lincoln Merrihew, an analyst at

DRI/McGraw-Hill. "It's just one more mouth to feed for GM," he said. John Mueller, a spokesman for GM in Detroit, declined to comment on whether GM was interested in increasing its Saab stake.

Since GM bought into Saab in 1990, the carmaker has posted a full-year profit only in Dahlbaeck said at an analysts' meeting in 1994.

Handelsbanken Posts Rise in Profit

STOCKHOLM — Svenska Handelsbanken AB, Sweden's second-largest bank, said Tuesday it had a 17 percent rise in nine-month profit. bolstered by a sharp drop in credit losses and increases in interest income and commissions.

The bank said its operating profit for the period ended Sept. 30 rose to 3.72 billion kroner (\$567 million) from 3.17 billion kroner a year earlier. Credit losses, the bane of Swedish banks since the financial crisis of the early 1990s, dropped 18 percent to 1.77 billion kroner. Bad debts, which fell 34 percent to 3.65 billion kroner, accounted for 1.3 percent of loans in the period, compared with 2.2 percent in the first nine months of 1994.

"We have rarely had such a low volume of nonperforming loans as we have now," Arne Martensson, the bank's chief executive, said. He said Handelsbanken would decide before next spring whether to pay shares in its

Nackebro real-estate unit as a dividend. Swedish law was recently changed to allow banks - whose real-estate portfolios ballooned as holdings were taken over after scores of property-company failures in the early '90s - to pay out holdings to shareholders without double taxation.

A Nackebro listing might be preceded by a cash injection, Mr. Martensson said. "Handelsbanken doesn't want to launch a weak company on the stock exchange," he said.

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Freegold **Cuts Jobs** In Bid to Lift Profit

JOHANNESBURG - The world's biggest gold producer, Free State Consolidated Gold Mines Ltd., said Tuesday it was

cutting 3,450 jobs and shrinking production to try to increase

The company, known as Freegold and operated by Anglo American Corp., said it was cut-ting output at two of its 26 shafts by 40 percent. A total of 1,900 jobs will be eliminated at its Saaiplaas No. 3 shaft, and a further 1,550 jobs will be cut at Freddies No. 5.

Labor unrest, rising costs, declining ore grades and stagnant prices have caused losses at many of South Africa's gold

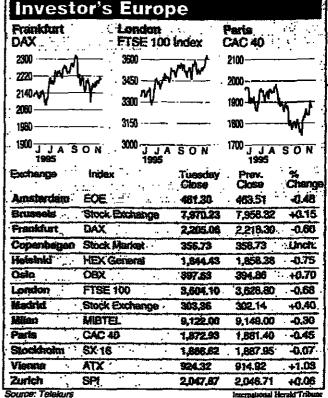
Another mining house, Anglovaal Ltd., is cutting produc-tion by closing Village Mailo Reef Gold Mining Co. Anglovaal said it had decided to close the unit because of low ore

grades and treatment problems. The price of gold bullion remains stuck in a range near \$387 an ounce, virtually unchanged from two years ago and less than half the peak of \$850 hit in 1980.

The low price has caused producers to scale back production. Alan Munro, president of the Chamber of Mines industry group, has predicted that South African gold production will fall to 520 or 530 metric tons this year from 583.9 tons

In the year to March 31, Freegold - with a total work force of 86,000 -- produced 101 tons of gold. The company started laying off staff three weeks ago and said it expected to complete the process in six weeks. Freegold said it would seek voluntary layoffs but that some forced layoffs would be inevitable.

The Witwatersrand basin around Johannesburg contains 40 percent of the world's known reserves of gold. But South African mines are having to go ever deeper to tap that wealth, putting them at a competitive disadvantage with shallower deposits elsewhere in the world that cost less to mine.



Very briefly:

• United Biscuits PLC agreed to sell its Keebler Co. snack unit to an investor group for \$8 million, marking the final stage of the British company's exit from the United States.

 BAT Industries PLC's German subsidiary, BATIG GmbH. bought a 33 percent stake in Augustow, the state-run Polishit tobacco factory, for \$88 million.

 De La Rue PLC's shares plunged 20 percent, to 727 pence, afterit the company said first-half pretax profit fell to £69.1 millionia (\$107 million) from £72.8 million a year earlier. Sales of the

company's primary product, printed banknotes, fell 14 percent, to 11 VEBA AG will bid for a 49.9 percent stake in DBKom GmbH, IT the telecommunications network of Deutsche Bahn AG, in competition with a joint bid from Thyssen Telecom AG and Bell-31

 Wella AG's pretax profit fell to 88 million Deutsche marks (\$62.2 million) in the first nine months of the year, from 113 million DMie a year earlier, as lower sales in China, Russia, Britain and their United States offset a small increase in overall sales.

 Karstadt AG's sales slipped 0.1 percent in the first nine months^{et} of the year, to 19.09 billion DM, partly because of weak demand

 French industrial production fell 1.8 percent in September fromth the July-August period after rising 0.3 percent in July and Augusthe from June. The two summer months are computed together to account for vacation shutdowns.

• DSM NV is close to acquiring 70 percent of Chemie Linz¹⁷ GmbH, a subsidiary of the Austrian energy and chemical company OMV AG.

 Italgas SpA won a majority stake in three of Hungary's fivebe regional gas-distribution companies with a bid valued at \$171.9 million. Gaz de France and a joint bid from Ruhrgas AG and Vereinigte Elektrizitätswerke Westfalen AG bought majoritys/ stakes in the remaining two companies. Bloomberg, AFP n.

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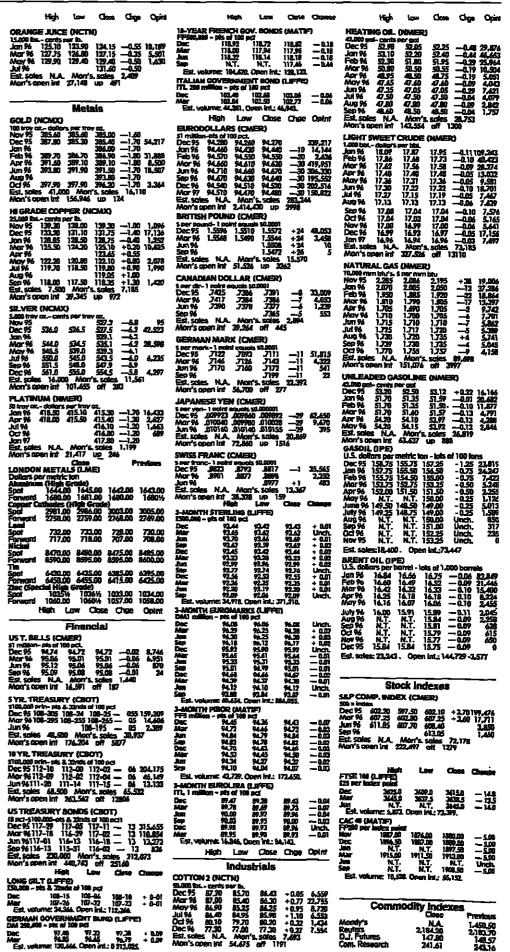
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As the Peso Slides, Dollar Signs Spread in Mexico By Anthony DePalma

MEXICO CITY - Despite the drubbing it has taken this year, the peso remains the official currency of Mexico.

Sometimes, though, it is hard to be sure; increasingly, companies that have been hurt by the gyrations of the peso are switching to doing business in dollars. Executives are seeking to protect themselves from further peso losses.

This unofficial transformation of the Mexican economy means that it is now common to see computer manufacturers and real estate agents advertise their prices in dollars, even when transactions take place purely within Mexico.

Although it is technically illegal to use anything but the peso, the businesses get around that restriction by saying in tiny footnotes that they will accept pesos at the current rate.

Big hotels and international airlines have been using dollar

But now, even smaller hotels and tour agencies — where nothing is imported - have

started doing the same. Since the devaluation, a number of such incidents have larization, what is?" turned into a visible trend, gathering speed with each episode of peso weakness.

Such examples only hint at the extent to which the battered peso has been discarded by peo- mex, also said that while conple who normally defend national symbols and reject any sign of American intervention on their native soil.

request for bids to construct three microwave relay towers for Petróleos Mexicanos SA, the huge Mexican oil monopoly widely known as Pemex. All the suppliers that submitted bids were based in Mex-

Take, for example, a recent

ton and insisted that all bids be submitted in dollars. There you have the largest monopoly in Mexico negotiating in dollars for three big tow-

buth, a businessman from the United States who is the head of Energia Eolica, a tower-builder in Mexico City that also bid for the contract. "If that's not dol-

For its part, Pemex says it asks for payment in dollars or pesos, depending on the product or service it is buying. Gilda Rota, a spokeswoman for Petracts may be priced in dollars, payment may be arranged in ther pesos or dollars.

The turn toward dollars began after Mexico decided on Dec. 21, 1994, to let the peso float freely. Since then, the currency has done more sinking than floating. Just before devaluation, one peso was worth about 29 cents, at an exchange rate of 3.46 to the dollar. In ico; the material they would use trading Tuesday, the exchange to construct the tower was all rate was 7.63 to the dollar — Mexican. But Pemex held the meaning that a peso was worth bidding competition in Housabout 13 cents, a decline of near-

ly 55 percent in 11 months. The determination of so many businessmen in Mexico to seek stability by using dollars suggests there is little confiers to be built in Mexico, using dence that the peso is ready to

losses, the dynamics, of course, could change again.

But for now, U.S. dollar signs seem to be everywhere. Even the tor Co. in dollars but paid in central bank acknowledges the trend by publishing an exchange rate each day solely for determining dollar-based transactions. Bankers have asked the government to allow them to offer dollar checking accounts,

which now are forbidden. Hewlett-Packard Inc. recently based an advertisement for computers in Mexico City newspapers on the promise that it would actually accept pesos in payment.

'In commercial real estate, everybody tries to deal in dollars," said Henry B. McDonald, director of Cushman & Wakefield in Mexico City.

Mr. McDonald said Chibank, a Citicorp unit, had just negotiated a lease for a new headquarters building of about 85,000 square feet (7,900 square meters) here. The U.S. currency was the focus of the discussion. according to Mr. McDonald.

'We used dollars to drive the rates way down," he said. Auto-parts suppliers that

prices since long before the pesso was devalued last December.

So was devalued last December.

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He said Chrysler Corp. var- government figures showed. The results, released late Fri day, confirm the brutal and deepening recession that has grippled the nation throughout 1995. he said, if 30 percent of an au-

As grim as those figures were, government economists tried to put a positive spin on them by pointing out that the second quarter — during which the gross domestic product feld 10.5 percent from a year earlier --had been even worse. That, they suggested, could mean that the na who insisted on being paid in economy had touched bottom dollars and bartenders in Juarez and was beginning to recuperwho priced their Mexican beer ate. So far this year, Mexico's economy has contracted 7 per-"You can price something in cent. A spokesman said the govbags of beans, bars of gold or erament expected to see some U.S. dollars to establish the ex-signs of growth before year-end, Mr. Lambuth said. economists said they doubted

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growth rates of other major nagazine publishers. Mr. Logan attributes Time

Inc.'s financial health to a new sense of entrepreneurialism at the magazines. Each title has been encouraged to develop profitable ideas for spinoffs such as specialized sections of Sports Illustrated sold exclusively to affluent golfers.

By decentralizing the adver-tising sales staffs of the magazines, Mr. Logan said, the com-pany had made its core titles more profitable. Besides Time and Sports Illustrated, the company's magazines include For-tune, Life, Money, People, Entertainment Weekly and In

If Mr. Logan is credited with energizing the publishing side, Mr. Pearlstine is viewed as invigorating the editorial staff.

When he took over as editorin-chief, Mr. Pearlstine made it clear that he would immerse himself in the Time Inc. culture and learn as much as possible before making changes.

Mr. Pearlstine's most important contribution has been in haping editorial coverage.

Last summer, for example. Mr. Pearlstine became closely involved in Time's unusually frank coverage of the controversy over rap songs with explicit sexual or violent lyrics that

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had engulfed Time Warner. Having come to expect the kind of distance from the fray that had marked the reign of Mr. Pearlstine's predecessor, chief, Jason McManus, staff members

were pleasantly surprised. "I would say the result has been that he has clearly increased the clout of the editorin-chief's office at Time Inc.," said Landon Jones Jr., managing editor of People.

Mr. Pearlstine also moved quickly to establish a relationship with Cable News Network. He intends to take a strong role in integrating CNN into Time Inc. if Time Warner's acquisition of Turner Broadcasting System Inc. goes through. Gerald Levin, chief executive

of Time Warner, has asked Mr. Pearlstine to head a committee to create a blueprint for making those relationships work.

Kiechel about the direction of the magazine, which Mr. Pearlstine found too narrowly focused on articles about management. He replaced him with John Huev, with whom Mr. Pearlstine

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started The Wall Street Journal's European edition in 1982. promoted Bill Colsen to man-

aging editor of Sports Illustrated from assistant managing editor managing editor of Life.

say the fight for the top job at Sports Illustrated ended in an sary public humiliation for Mr. Okrent, a widely respected editor. He and Mr. Colsen had each been given a three-month trial as acting editor of Sports Illustrated, with Mr. Pearlstine announcing that the one who published the magazine

The trial was followed by a lengthy interview with Mr. Pearlstine and Henry Muller, editorial director of Time Inc., a process likened to an "oral exam" by insiders.

Mr. Pearlstine also replaced James Gaines, a former managing editor of People and Life, as managing editor of Time. Mr. Gaines was named corporate editor of Time Inc.

People at the company say Mr. Gaines may have hastened his own departure last summer

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Mr. Gaines later told friends that Mr. Pearlstine had called him up just before the issue whether he was satisfied with electronic ventures. the methodology of the report. Mr. Gaines said he was.

Isaacson to replace Mr. Gaines has raised questions about the future of the company's newest electronic venture. Pathfinder site on the Internet's World Wide Web.

Two weeks ago Mr. Logan described the venture as "giving new definition to the term 'black hole.' " Last week its overseer, Mr. Isaacson, was taken from the electronic world and installed in perhaps the most prestigious hands-on editorial job in the company.

Was Mr. Isaacson rewarded for success, taken out of failure's way or simply moved into a job that was the logical culmination of his earlier career as a journalist and author?

The answer may be some

Isaacson had held several top editing jobs at the magazine. It seemed a mark of the company's commitment to an electronic future when he was asked to head the "new media" projects.

But economic success has been elusive for Pathfinder, as went to press and asked him for many other companies

Paul Sagan, who started Pathfinder with Mr. Isaacson The appointment of Mr. and will succeed him as chief of new media, said Time Inc. had realized that Pathfinder could not cover its expenses through advertising sales alone.

Mr. Sagan said he would seek ways to raise revenue from Pathfinder's users, who now use the Web site for free.

"I believe that electronic publishing is a real business," Mr. Logan said. "But what's not clear yet is how to generate rev-

As a joke on Mr. Logan, Mr. Sagan registered the World Wide Web address www.blackhole.com for his boss. A chagrined Mr. Logan said, "I was simply making an off-the-cuff quip, which I often do, and then proceed to put my foot in my

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Australian Miners Get a Boost in Feud With CRA

unions claimed victory in a battle with the mining company than a month at the Weipa CRA Ltd. on Tuesday after the bauxite mine, which is owned country's top arbitration body by a CRA subsidiary. sided with the unions, ending a

But it appeared the labor unrest against CRA could still dated to March 1, 1994. The worsen after a powerful labor union group was given leave to group called for stepped-up pursue further wage increases strikes against the company to try to make CRA change its labor policies.

'It's a great victory.' said former Prime Minister Bob Hawke, who negotiated on be-

"The truth has been, and always will be, that there is an return to work Wednesday, and inequality of power between the individual and the employer, and that must be recognized, and it has been.

cision and negotiate a settlement before the commission would impose the decision, said Deidre O'Connor, the president of the Australian Industrial Relations Commission, the arbi-

CRA officials said they were studying the decision and were tracts are being paid more for the same work than workers on CRA officials said they were prepared to negotiate with the

But John Maitland, president of the Construction, Forestry, Mining and Energy Union, said the union feared CRA would not honor the commission's two companies last month aniudgment and called for further nounced plans to merge their strike action to ensure it did.

Through our experience in the past, we know that CRA will try and renege on what has come out of the commission today, and so that is the reason we are taking this action," Mr.

Maitland said. "There is a very firm resolve that we will ratchet up the ac-tion against CRA," Mr. Maitland said. "It won't be limited action. It will be certainly es- ed, quoting airline sources. calated to as high a level as we

can possibly produce." sion, the Australian Council of Trade Unions agreed to stop all industrial action as soon as pos- and Bangkok.

SYDNEY — Australian legal action against 76 workers who had been on strike for more

The commission also orwalkout by 20,000 coal miners. dered CRA to give those workers an 8 percent pay rise, backwith the commission.

Maritime workers' and coal miners' unions had called national strikes in a show of support for the industrial action against CRA. In a show of good will, however, the major coal miners' union voted Tuesday to waterfront workers will return to their jobs during the weekend.

The dispute has focused on CRA's policy of getting its staff Both parties in the dispute to sign individual contracts still needed to study the de- rather than labor union agreements. In the past 18 months, 11.000 of CRA's 16.000 Australian employees have signed individual contracts.

The unions say workers at the North Queensland mine who signed individual conunion agreements. CRA's policy also is seen as an attempt to pressure workers into leaving

CRA is 49 percent-owned by London-based RTZ Corp. The global operations.

CRA shares gained 36 cents to close at 21.60 Australian dollars (\$16.05)

Does Japan Need a 5-Year Bond?

(Bloomberg, Reuters)

■ Gesture for Qantas? Hong Kong offered Australia new concessions to try to end their dispute over Qantas Airways' intra-Asia traffic rights, Agence France-Presse report-

Hong Kong is understood to have backed away from its in- houses that sell government bonds asked that the According to the agreement sistence that a 50 percent limit recommended by the commis-be imposed on Qantas passen- Japan now sells two-year, four-year, six-year, 10ger loads on certain flights to or year and 20-year maturities.

ITC Can't Agree on Chief Tobacco Firm's Big Holders Are Split

CALCUTTA --- ITC Ltd. has failed to find

a successor to its departing chairman because deep differences between the Indian tobacco giant's major shareholders - Britain's BAT Industries PLC and Indian state-run banks are holding up the selection process.

ITC's nominations committee met Monday for the first time since Krishan Lai Chugh, under pressure from by BAT, announced in September that he would step down at yearend. But the marathon meeting ended without producing a successor, and the committee said it would meet again shortly.

The committee's announcement, which came late on the same day ITC said its net profit rose in the first half despite lower sales, masked a split between BAT and local banks,

Together, India's state-run financial institutions hold a 37 percent stake in ITC, which also has a major role in India's hotel and food

BAT is the largest single shareholder, with a 31.7 percent stake.

An ITC executive said BAT's representative on the nominations committee, Norman Davis, has indicated the British company favors splitting the chairman's position into two jobs. One chairman would deal with long-term strategy, while the other would handle day-to-

day business.

But the Industrial Development Bank of India, a key shareholder among the group of state-run banks, was believed to be pushing to

keep a single chairman.
The banks reportedly favor Yogesh Deveshwar, now a board member, to succeed Mr. Chugh. BAT is said to prefer Saurabh Misra, who heads the company's flagship tobacco

The differences are a sequel to a bitter Chugh, who announced he would step down after BAT said in March that it had lost faith in computer-software distribution.

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interest, the Japanese government is considering

which bonds are issued is good," a spokesman for the Finance Ministry said. Banks and securities

issuance of five-year bonds be considered, he said.

'In general, we think that to enlarge the terms in

adding five-year bonds to its debt menu.

BAT demanded an inquiry into financial irregularities it said had occurred under Mr. Chugh's management, but a special investigating committee said in September that neither Mr. Chugh nor senior associates had violated Indian foreign exchange laws.

A change of management comes amid fundamental changes in ITC's businesses, which are affecting profit.

In the six months to Sept. 30, ITC's net profit rose to 1.41 billion rupees (\$40.6 million) from 1.16 billion rupees a year earlier. while sales slipped to 11.88 billion rupees

from 12.26 billion rupees ITC said the decline reflected a decline of 1.5 billion rupees in overseas sales caused by a shift toward higher-margin exports. Still, ITC's share of India's tobacco market rose to 63 percent from 60 percent, as sales volume rose

ITC's stock fell 8 rupees, to 245.

Associated Weighs Tire Venture Associated Cement Cos, and Bridgestone Corp. of Japan are considering establishing a joint venture to make and sell tires in India,

Knight-Ridder reported from Bombay. Bridgestone would hold 51 percent of the equity of the joint-venture company, with the balance to be held initially by Associated Cement and its parent company, Tata Engineering & Locomotive Co., Associated Ce-

ment said. The venture would have an initial capacity of 1 million tires a year and would start op-erations by early 1998.

Associated Cement said it was conducting feasibility studies on the project and said negotiations for the final agreement were still in

Associated Cement is India's largest ceboardroom battle between BAT and Mr. ment maker. Tata is involved in numerous joint-venture projects, including airlines and

Selling that much government debt in a single

maturity would probably mean paying more in

the form of a higher coupon interest rate. The

its initial budget alone.

the year, the Japanese Finance Ministry said Tuesday. The surplus through October totaled \$12.27 billion, compared with \$8.8 billion for all of

China Gap

With Japan

Grows 39%

Bloomhere Business News BEUING - China's trade

surplus with Japan surged 39

percent in the first 10 months of

In the first nine months of the year, China's exports to Japan rose 33.8 percent from a year

earlier, while Japanese exports

to China grew just 10.3 percent. A Chinese analyst said trade tensions were likely to intensify. 'There could be some trade friction next year, particularly in textiles," said Mr. Zhou Jihua. a professor at Academy of Social Sciences in China.

But Ronald Bevacqua, an economist at Merrill Lynch & Co. in Tokyo, said Japan's reaction to the trade surplus was likely to be muted because of its larger aims. "As the trading relationship deepens," he said, "so does the relationship as a

China's exports to Japan in the year to October amounted to \$29.55 billion, while China imported \$17.28 billion of goods from Japan, Tokyo said.

Statistics show that China is the only exporter of mainly manufactured goods with which Japan has a trade deficit. Other countries with which Japan has a trade deficit, such as Indonesia and Australia, export mainly raw

According to China's statistics - which exclude transshipped goods arriving in Japan Hong Kong — Japan usually runs a big trade surplus with

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China's exports have jumped 46 percent so far this year, to \$22.5 billion, while imports have increased 10 percent, to \$22.2 billion, Beijing said.

government has been striving to keep interest Mr. Bevacqua of Merrill rates low to help the economy, so it faces the Lynch said the surge should not worry Tokyo. "If China deproblem of how to finance its debt without stifling an economy that shows almost no growth.

The solution, traders and investors said, may pends on Japan as a market for Analysts said the introduction of a five-year be a new medium-term issue with a maturity of its goods, that gives Japan leverage," he said.

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• Industrial Development Bank of India's first-half net profit rose 26 percent, to 5.03 billion rupees (\$144.7 million), as rising industrial production helped increase demand for loans.

• TDK Corp.'s first-half profit rose 73 percent, to 9.74 billion yen (\$94.8 million), as sales of mobile-phone parts offset a drop in videotape sales; revenue rose 8 percent, to 255.3 billion yen.

• Toyota Motor Corp. said falling exports caused domestic output to fall 10 percent in October from a year earlier, Mazda Motor Corp.'s domestic output fell 33 percent for the month. while Nissan Motor Co. posted a 7 percent rise in output.

 The Philippines' trade deficit widened 7.9 percent, to \$6.41 billion in the first nine months of the year. The central bank, meanwhile, raised its overnight lending rate to 13.125 percent from 12.625 percent and has been selling dollars to help the peso.

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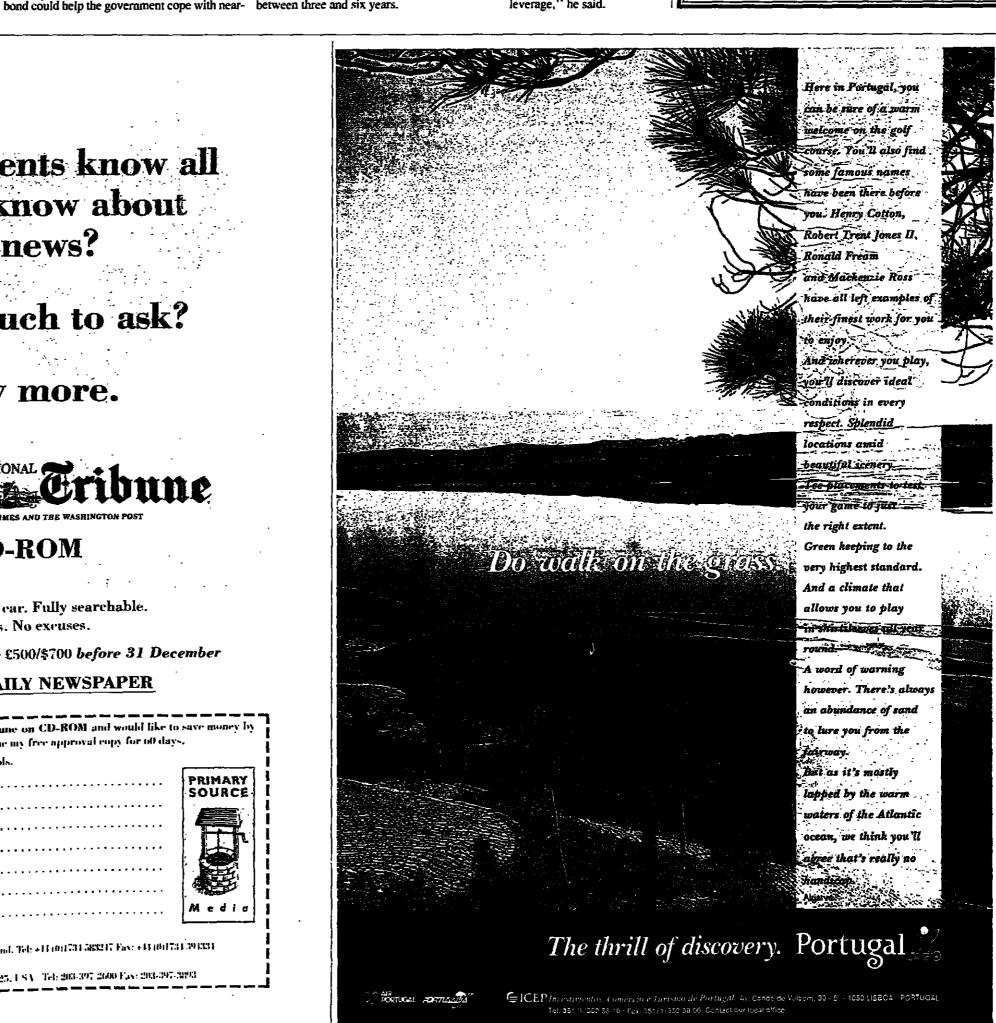
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Traveling to Venice

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of the Seas" (la Serenissima), Venice dominated trade between Western Europe and the Near East for nearly a millennium. Today, the city continues to be an important commercial hub. Its traditional crafts - ranging from the handblown glass of Murano to delicately embroidered lacework from Burano and nearby Chioggia. and objects in silver, wrought iron and embossed metal - may seem as dreamlike as the city itself, but their contribution in economic terms is indeed a sub-

stantial one. The famed Venice Biennale, the world's largest modern art show, held from June to October in odd-numbered years, has set in motion a lively contemporary art scene in a number of local galleries. Venice is a popular place for conferences, too. International seminars and congresses are scheduled year-round on subjects as varied as business, science, medicine and comparative music studies.

The Fondazione Giorgio Cini (on the island of San Giorgio Maggiore) and the Centro Zitelle (Giudecca 34) are popular venues for meetings, although conference organizers have even been known to rent large boats on the Grand Canal as a float-

ing site. Those doing business in the surrounding area find Venice a convenient place to stay as well, as it is within easy commuting distance of Mestre and the port of Maghera, Venice's industrial zone across the lagoon on the mainland. Also within close proximity is Padua, a center for trade fairs that is also renowned for its shoe factories. Vicenza boasts an international reputation based on the skill of its goldsmiths, highlighted by separate trade fairs focusing on gems, watches, gold jewelry or sterling silver.

Treviso is home to Benetton. Stefanel and other companies specializing in fashion. Another widely recognized industry name, Luxottica, a giant in the field of eyeglasses and sunglasses, has its headquarters close to Belluno. And, Romeo and Juliet aside, Verona attracts a large number of buyers every year thanks to "Vinian international wine

A Getting Around

Invest in a good map when you arrive in Venice, since getting lost is relatively easy in the labyrinth of narrow streets (calli). which are often intersected by secondary canals (rii) spanned by bridges, small squares (campi) and relatively spacious waterside promenades (fondamenta). Water buses (vaporetti) provide excellent, if not speedy, 24-hour service along the entire route of the Grand Canal, but during the day there is usually a long line of people waiting to buy a ticket on the quay before actually boarding.

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At a Glance

With its mixture of Eastern (Byzantine) and Western (Romanesque) architecture, the basilica of San Marco (11th century) appears to have come straight out of Kubla Khan's Xanadu, evidencing Venice's historical link to Constantinople. San Marco lends its name to one of Venice's six neighbor-



hoods (sestieri), each of which is distinguished by world-famous landmarks. South of San Marco is the

Dorsoduro quarter, site of both the Accademia Gallery which presents an anthology of Venetian painting from the Bellini family, ranging from the works of Giorgione (15th century) to Canaletto (18th century) and the Peggy Guggenheim collection, featuring works by 20th century masters including Miró, Kandinsky, Rothko and Jackson Pol-

The Grand Canal is flanked by Gothic palace museums such as the Ca' d'Oro in the Cannaregio district, which displays pictures by Titian and Mantegna, and elegant Gothic-style residences like Ca' Rezzonico, now the Museum of the 18th Century Venetian Home.

The covered Rialto bridge marks the entrance to San Polo, Venice's market and commercial zone; do not bypass the Basilica de Frari, a gem for tourists and art lovers alike. Take the water bus to visit the islands in the Venetian lagoon: Murano, Torcello and Burano.

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Bernard Tapie: Immunity from prosecution was lifted Tuesday.

Tapie Under Threat

SOCCER The French National Assembly lifted Bernard Tapie's immunity from prosecution on Tuesday, this time over the finances of his former club Marseille. Tapie, a former cabinet minister, has remained a member of France's National Assembly.

However, Parliament's executive bureau lifted Tapie's immunity for the fourth time in two years, to allow a magistrate to probe the alleged slush funds at Marseille. The sports daily L'Equipe has estimated that 110 million francs (\$22 million) may have been involved.

Seles Pulls Out of Fed Cup

TENNIS Monica Seles pulled out of this weekend's Fed Cup finals against Spain because of knee injuries. (AP)

Marlins Sign White

BASEBALL Devon White, an outfielder who spent the last five seasons with Toronto, became the first free agent to switch teams this fall, agreeing to a three-year contract with the Florida

 Shortstop Walt Weiss re-signed for the Colorado Rockies. His contract is worth \$4.1 million over two years.

The Rockies traded catcher Joe Girardi to the New York Yankees for minor-league pitcher Mike DeJean and a player to be determined. (AP)

Browns Insist They'll Move

FOOTBALL Even if forced to play in Cleveland until their lease expires in 1998, the Browns will go to Baltimore, n s lawyer, Kobert Weber, tol the judge in an Ohio court.

Tyson to Fight Mathis

BOXING Mike Tyson will fight Buster Mathis on Dec. 16 in Atlantic City, New Jersey, with the bout carried live and free on Fox TV.

Egyptians Withdraw

SQUASH Two Egyptians, Hasan Musa and Ahmed Berade, pulled out of the Pakistan Open because of the bombing of the Egyptian Embassy in Islamabad. (Reuters) Ottawa Fires Coach

Referees Won't Vote

BASKETBALL Union leaders for the NBA's referees have refused to put the league's latest contract offer to a vote. The referees have been locked out since Oct. 1.

WORLD ROUNDUP The End of an Olympic Love Story

Grinkov Collapses While Skating With His Wife

AIRY tales aren't supposed to end

this way. Olympic figure skating champion Sergei Grinkov died on Monday of a massive heart attack brought on by severe heart disease, after collapsing while skating with his wife, Ekaterina

An autopsy on Tuesday revealed that skaters was subdued. Grinkov's left anterior defending coronary ther died suddenly in 1989 while he was in heart muscle, was virtually closed. In addition, the heart was enlarged from high blood pressure, the autopsy said. There was no evidence of drug or alcohol abuse, action to the died suddenly in 1989 while he was in his 40s, perhaps of a heart attack. Joan Burns, a skating judge, said she arranged for Grinkov to return to Moscow from an American tour when his 6 the died suddenly in 1989 while he was in his 40s, perhaps of a heart attack. Joan Burns, a skating judge, said she arranged for Grinkov to return to Moscow from an American tour when his 6 the died suddenly in 1989 while he was in his 40s, perhaps of a heart attack. Joan Burns, a skating judge, said she arranged for Grinkov to return to Moscow from an American tour when his 6 the died suddenly in 1989 while he was in his 40s, perhaps of a heart attack. Joan Burns, a skating judge, said she arranged for Grinkov to return to Moscow from an American tour when his 6 the died suddenly in 1989 while he was in his 40s, perhaps of a heart attack. Joan Burns, a skating judge, said she arranged for Grinkov to return to Moscow from an American tour when his 6 the died suddenly in 1989 while he was in his 40s, perhaps of a heart attack. Joan Burns, a skating judge, said she arranged for Grinkov to return to Moscow from an American tour when his 6 the died suddenly in 1989 while he was in his 40s, perhaps of a heart attack. Joan Burns, a skating judge, said she arranged for Grinkov to return to Moscow from an American tour when his 6 the died suddenly in 1989 while he was in his 40s, perhaps of a heart attack. Joan Burns, a skating judge, said she arranged for Bu no evidence of drug or alcohol abuse, according to Dr. Francis Varga, who performed the autopsy at Adirondack Medical Center in Saranac Lake, N.Y.

Until Monday, the lives of Grinkov and Gordeeva were the stuff of dreams that only seem to come true in books. They dazzled the world of figure skating from the moment they appeared on the inter-national scene in 1986 and won the first of four world championships.

He was 19, she was 15, and their routine was spectacular. A well-muscled 5-foot-11 (1.8-meter) man throwing a ponytailed 5-foot-1 girl through the air, while both glided on skates at dizzying speeds. They won Olympic gold at Calgary in 1988 and, after a stint as professionals, returned six years later to take gold again, at Lillehammer. G and G fell in love, married and had a daughter.

As the years passed, their skating matured with their relationship, evolving from an athletic show of muscle and speed to a husband-and-wife togetherness edged with

On Monday, their love story came to an abrupt end. Grinkov, 28, collapsed and died

Paramedics were on the ice within 90 sec-skater. Reluctantly, he was paired with onds. They were unable to revive him.

Junior hockey practice went on as scheduled Monday night at USA Rink, where Grinkov fell, the tragedy too difficult for

Skating officials said that Grinkov's faican tour when his father died.

"His father was under 50; it was very sudden," Burns said. "I vaguely remember it was a heart attack."

Grinkov and Gordeeva, whose unison prompted observers to say that their "hearts seemed to beat at the same time," Albany, New York, at a made-for-television event of Olympic champions called Skates of Gold

Some who saw their two routines in Albany said that Grinkov appeared to have trouble lifting his wife. Jirina Ribbens, a skaring expertsaid the couple looked good don't have. He was superb in holding himin their routines, but that Grinkov was self back to highlight the efforts of his concerned about continuing back prob-Grinkov was the perfect partner because

he was willing to sublimate himself with a quiet anonymity, while his wife became the focus of their muscular lifts and captivating throws. Their signature maneuver, not performed in recent years, was a quadruple twist, in which he threw her for a fourrevolution spin.

Grinkov, who was born in Moscow on while the pair was practicing for an ice February 4, 1967, to parents who were Red but we didn't fee show in Lake Placid, New York. Army officers, began his career as a singles feel everything."

Gordeeva in 1982, when he was 15 and she

They began dating in 1989 and were married in April 1991. Their daughter, the young players to grasp. At the 1932 rink next door, the Skating Club of the Adirondacks met as usual, but the mood of the where there is a small enclave of skaters from the former Soviet Union, including

- she was 10 inches shorter and 90 pounds (41 kilograms), to his 175 pounds -- Gordeeva and Grinkov were the epitome of the Russian pairs skating school, combining the elegance and artistry of the Protopopovs with the strength, powperformed most recently on Nov. 12 in er and speed of Irina Rodnina and Alexander Zaitsev, two gold-medal predecessors.

They were the quintessentially perfect pair." said Dick Button, the two-time Olympic men's skating champion. "They had the strength, power and flow that so many skaters at the top of the world simply partner. You could always see him pointing the focus of your eye to her."

"They had everything — technique, ro-mantic style and cleanliness (of line)," said Natalya Dubova, a Russian ice-dance coach who lives in Lake Placid. "They skated for each other. You could feel them

"Now, we feel things more," Gordeeva said at the 1994 European championships. "Before, we skated - not like machines, but we didn't feel emotions. Now, we try to



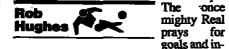
(NYT, AP) Their hearts beat at the same time: Grinkov and Gordeeva at 1994 Olympics.

Soccer's Golden Youth, Who Have Yet to Learn Greed and Fear

Old men play with the politics of sports. Entrepreneurs and industrialists convert soccer to commerce. Meanwhile the players seem to get a little younger each day.

Indeed, the bigger the match, the more it seems to be child's play. What does youth care of pressures or greed when Real Madrid plays Ajax Amsterdam in Wednesday's Euopean Cup Champions' League tie?

The crowd in Madrid's Santiago Bernebeu stadium will heave with nostalgia million debt, or Ajax's \$40 million profit,



r will reach inside th inside players' minds.

Or will it? Can you daunt a teenager with old men's woes? Can you stop the flow from Raul Gonzáles, whose winning goal on Saturday empowered Real to beat Atletico Madrid?

Raul is 18. He knows rejection and knows how to repay it. Atletico Madrid, the ob-session of his father and his father's father, had thrown Raul out with the bathwater when the club's overlord Jesus Gil y Gil

abandoned the youth system to cut costs. So Raul crossed the divide, and on Saturday crossed Atletico off the top of the Spanish league table. He may meet his match on Wednesday because Ajax mitiates youth players as regularly as priests

christen children. Patrick Kluivert and Nwankwo Kanu. both 19, are almost old stagers. Last spring, they won the league in the Netherlands and the Champions Cup in Vienna; last Saturday they each scored in the league. But they can already feel the next wave from the Ajax kindergarten pushing through. Kanu still looks like a player in embryo.

gazelle head held high, until he senses danger or opportunity and glides into action. His goal Saturday was prompted by Kiki Musampa, one of the younger boys whose precocity enabled Ajax to sell Clarence

Seedorf to Sampdoria in the summer. Maybe Raul and Kanu have an inkling of stardom's transience. Maybe they fear injury, or have some notion of life outside the stadium. But I doubt that Real Madrid's \$62

hope. get in the way of teenage objectives. These boys live on goals, they cannot be expected to sympathize with old Ramon for Mendoza, who this week bitterly stepped goals and in- down after a decade as Real's president.

Mendoza's day is as faded as Real's glory. He tried one last, lamentable shot, demanding that UEFA, European soccer's pride of being called up to stop one of the governing body, include former European world's premier teams. When it was over, a broadcaster approached.

Those are the knocks of a family trade. They may dent the will temporarily, but old an attempt to share the income on grounds of history rather than merit. UEFA spurned

him, Mendoza resigned, and the prodigal goal scorers probably don't give a damn. Why should they? White-haired men in suits do not bother them so much as rivals such as Ronaldo, the 19-year-old Brazilian, who struck another hat trick for PSV Eindhoven last weekend, or Alessandro Del

Piero, again a scorer for Juventus. Youth, however, is not exclusive to the predator. Parma, which shares the Italian Serie A leadership with Milan, on Sunday sprang the baby bloomer of the year by

putting Gianluigi Buffon between its posts. Buffon, 17 years and 295 days, has the build, the self-assurance, the anticipation of a man twice his years. Indeed, Franco Baresi, the captain of Milan and the emperor of Italy's players, is that and more. Baresi was apprenticed to Milan before Buffon was born, and notched up his 1,004th performance Sunday.

Nothing that he could inspire, and nothing Roberto Baggio, George Weah, Zvonimir Boban or Marcel Desailly — household names from four countries - threw at Buffon caught him off guard. He made two extraordinary saves in a minute — a onehanded stop from Marco Simone and a race off his line to throw himself at the feet of Weah. The first put instinct before thought, the second had to be calculating and fearless. Weah's intent and power usually wins the impact, but Buffon claimed the ball, and Weah needed medical aid.

Perhaps when he is old, say all of 20, Buffon will know the hesitancy of fear. Perhaps the accumulation of bruises and the burden of expectation will take the edge

All he felt on Sunday was the rush of in Rome, when he collided with England's family gone without a moment of broadcaster approached.

I wasn't told until just before the game." Thirty-four years ago a Buffon kept goal

first cap in front of 60,000 people at Paris's Stade de Colombes in November 1958. If the boy listens to the older goalkeeper he will hear there is sometimes a price to pay for hurling your body in the path of an

They may dent the will temporarily, but old Times.

"I didn't have time," Buffon shrugged. Buffon, Nwankwo Kanu, Ronaldo and Raul Gonzáles all should know that the The interviewer sounded breathless. The rewards and life itself have speeded up. As goalie was serene. No doubt older watchers teenagers they may be experiencing peaks knew the name and the family connection. they will outgrow before they reach their primes. Kluivert, having escaped serious for Milan (also for Genca and Inter-injury while driving a car in a collision nazionale), and for Italy. Lorenzo Buffon, a which killed another man last month, may cousin of Gianluigi Buffon's father, won his have a grasp on triumph and tragedy.

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In Buenos Aires, there is a player of another era who must look across the Atlantic and envy every moment these teenagers play. For Daniel Passarella, Argentina's national team coach, lost a son, oncoming opponent. Lorenzo Buffon had Sebastian, a contemporary of these youths, to be stretchered off, with 62,000 people when the car he was driving was struck by a watching in silence at the Stadio Olimpico train on a level crossing. A son of soccer's nition on life's playing field.

Rob Hughes is on the staff of The

Klinsmann Lifts Bayern

Jürgen Klinsmann proved he the half. is worth every note of his thick pay packet when he scored all of Bayern Munich's goals in a after intermission, Klinsmann 4-1 victory over Benfica in a headed in a cross from Scholl third-round first-leg UEFA for his fourth in the opening Cup match Tuesday.

On a freezing cold night in Munich's Olympic Stadium,

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the 31-year-old striker warmed the hearts of thousands of fans with a first-half hat trick that should help steer Bayern into the final eight after the second leg in Portugal in two weeks.

Klinsmann, who left Tottenham to return to his native Germany at the start of the season, is not among the leading scorers in the Bundesliga, but he has hit some crucial goals this season

for both Germany and Bayern. Klinsmann, who is estimated to earn about 2.5 million Deutsche marks (\$1.78 million) a season, got his first goal in the 27th minute, after a superb pass by Mehmet Scholl.

He scored again just after Dimas had equalized for Benfica in the 31st minute and completed

his hat trick two minutes before

And before many of the fans had even returned to their seats seconds of the second half.

PSV Eindhoven 2, Werder Bre men 1 A late goal by the Belgian striker Luc Nilis gave the Dutch team the edge for the return

PSV attacked from the start and was rewarded after just eight minutes when Junior Baiano of Werder was robbed close to his own goal by a fellow Brazilian, Ronaldo, Bremen's goalkeeper, Frank Rost, fouled Ronaldo but the striker scored

on the penalty kick.

Nine minutes after the break, Rodolfo Cardoso passed off to the winger Marco Bode, who scored for Bremen.

As PSV forced the pace in the closing stages, Nilis, fed by Marciano Vink to the right of

the goal, beat Rost with a low right-foot effort. Other results: Bordeaux 2,

Real Betis 0; Lens 0, Slavia 0; Nottingham Forest 1, Lyon 0:



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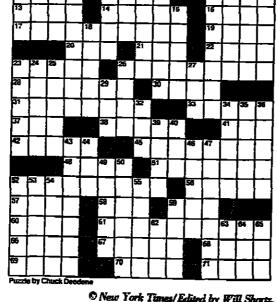
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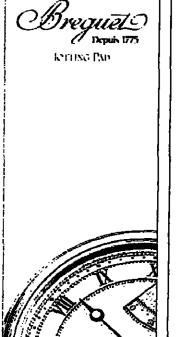
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record unblemished with a 101-95 victory Monday over the Golden State Warriors.

Magic's other top big man, Horace Grant, was out with a bruised knee. It didn't matter.

Anfernee Hardaway scored 29 points and Dennis Scott 27 for the defending Eastern Conference champions.

Nick Anderson added 20 off the bench from the rookie forward David Vaughn.

The Warriors hurt themselves with 22 turnovers while falling to 0-4 on the road, where sey they also play their next four

Joe Wolf made two key baskets in the last three minutes and Vaughn, the Magic's firstround draft pick, delivered season highs of eight points and five rebounds in 14 minutes.

Golden State was weakened when Latrell Sprewell, who scored two points, left the game late in the first quarter because of swelling in his left elbow. He didn't return.

Boston, Hakeem Olajuwon scored 24 points, and Houston capitalized on Boston's poor foul shooting to win its fifth straight.

Boston made just two-of-11 free throws in the fourth quarter and nine-of-22 overall as its winning streak ended at two games. Houston was 28-for-33 overall and seven-for-II in the

The Rockets held a 17-11 rebounding advantage and blocked five shots.

'Clutch plays down at the end of the game (made the dif-ference)," Rockets coach Rudy Tomjanovich said.

The Rockets took the lead for O'Neal as he continues to recuperate from a preseason thumb fracture — is 7-0 at Orlando Arena. On Monday, the Magic's other ton his man. Ho

Drexler scored 18 points, and Robert Horry had 16 points and 15 rebounds for the Rockets. Boston was led by Greg Minor with 21 points and Dino Radja with 13 points and 17 re-

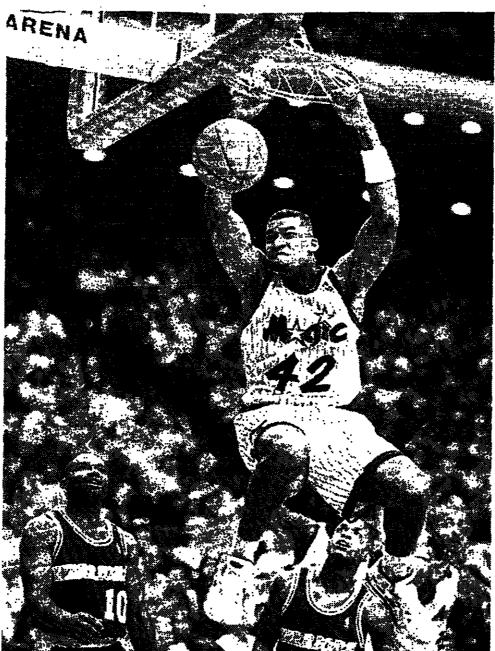
Jazz 105, Nets 79 In Salt points, and Orlando received its Lake City, Utah, Chris Morris first meaningful contribution scored 22 points for the Jazz against his former teammates. Morris was signed as a free agent during training camp after seven years with New Jer-

> Adam Keefe had 16 points and 17 rebounds for the Jazz, which shot 44.4 percent, but used 69-percent accuracy to

take control in the first quarter. Karl Malone had 14 points for the Jazz, Jeff Hornacek added 13 and David Benoit 11. John Stockton had nine points and 14 assists

In Portland, Oregon, Rod Strickland scored 27 points and Clifford Robinson added 25 as Portland beat Los Angeles for the sixth straight time.

Strickland and Robinson scoring 11 points each during and six assists. He did not play the third quarter, when the in the fourth quarter.



Rookie delivery: David Vaughn slam-dunking for Orlando Magic against Golden State.

Blazers took advantage of a five-minute scoring drought by the Clippers to go ahead by 20

Strickland made 11 of 15 broke open a close game by shots and added seven rebounds

17 points and 10 assists. The rookie Arvidas Sabonis scored a career-high 20 points in 22 minutes for Portland, including 14 in the first half. There was a crowd of 20,381

Terry Dehere led L.A. with was the first time since April 5, not have a sellout - a string of 814 consecutive games. Until this year, however, the team played at the neighboring Memorial Coliseum, which at the new Rose Garden, but it held only 12,888.

49ers Cruise Past Dolphins Loss Stuns Shula and a Record Crowd

By Charlie Nobles New York Times Service

MIAMI - Outside Joe Robbie Stadium, street vendors were hawking T-shirts imploring the Miami Dolphins to hire Jimmy Johnson as

their coach. Inside, the San Francisco 49ers showed no mercy for the beleaguered incum-

Before the largest crowd (73,080) ever to see a fifth loss in the last seven games. For a team that was picked by many to represent the American Football Conference in the Super Bowl, the Dolphinsare in jeopardy of not even reaching the

Meanwhile, the 49ers, led by quarterback Elvis Grbac, proved that their demolition of the Dallas Cowboys last week was not an aberration. They are tied with the Atlanta Falcons in first place in the NFC West.

Grbac outdueled Dan Marino, completing four touchdown passes to Marino's two. Filling in again for the injured Steve Young, Grbac was 31 of 41 for 382 yards. Marino finished with 255 yards on 23-of-38 passing.

Marino tied Fran Tarkenton's career mark of

42 touchdown passes on a four-yard strike to O.J. McDuffie late in the third quarter.

The Dolphins won the coin toss and proceeded

three consecutive times and the Dolphins had to punt. Dolphins officials believe that had never appened before in Marino's 13-season career.

Dexter Carter put the Niners in good field position with a 16-yard punt return to the Miami 3-yard line. Then Grbac moved the team swiftly down field in three plays, culminating in Derek

Loville's three-yard run around right end.
The Dolphins stumbled through two more inept offensive series before Marino spotted Dolphin game here, the 49ers battered Miami, wide receiver Gary Clark all alone in the 49er 44-20, Monday night, handing Shula's team its secondary. Cornerback Marquez Pope apparently thought he had deep help and allowed Clark

to run by himto tie the game at 7-7.

The Niners moved 76 yards in seven plays to make the score 14-7. The first six plays produced only 28 yards, but then Grbac looped a pass to a

streaking Jerry Rice for the final 48.

McDuffie, who scored for the Dolphins, contributed mightily to the 49er cause too.First, he lost a fumble after catching a Marino pass for five yards. Merton Hanks, the 49er free safety, scooped it up and raced 31 yards, to the Miami 22, which led to Jeff Wilkins's 33-yard field goal.

On Miami's final series of the first half, Marino found McDuffie, but the ball popped out of his grasp and into that of Hanks and San Francisco had the ball at the Miami 46. Grbac completed three straight passes, with a 23-yarder to tight end Brent Jones going for the touchdown just nine seconds before intermission. The Dolphins to move straight backward: Marino was sacked left the field, to a chorus of boos, down 24-7.

Canadiens Edge Whalers in Overtime

Turner Stevenson has just two goals this season, but his second turned out to be a big one for the Montreal Canadi-

Stevenson took a pass from Brian Savage from behind the net and beat the Whalers' goal-

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tender, Sean Burke, 3:12 into 1977, that the Trail Blazers did overtime to give Montreal a 4-3 victory over Hartford on Mon-

"On my winning goal I just Steven Rice grabbed a loose whirled around and took a puck, drew Roy out of the net

to get his stick on the puck," Stevenson said.

Patrick Roy stopped 35 shots for the Canadiens as Montreal recorded their fifth consecutive victory to improve to 12-2 under Mario Tremblay, who replaced Jacques Demers as head

Roy has allowed just 12 goals in his last eight starts for dropped to 3-3 under its new

coach, Paul Maurice. Hartford took a 3-2 lead with 4:37 left in regulation when

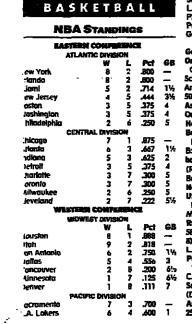
tied the game 64 seconds later when Vincent Damphousse beat Burke with a wrist shot from the low slot.

Savage, who notched his team-leading 16th goal, and Pierre Turgeon also scored for Montreal. Kevin Smyth and Geoff Sanderson tallied for Hartford.

Oilers 3. Avalanche 3 In Ed-Canadiens. Hartford monton, Alberta, Doug Weight completed his first career hat trick with just two seconds left in regulation to lift the Oilers into a tie with Colorado.

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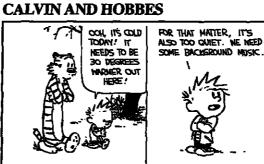




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The French literary prize season continues: Franz-Olivier Giesbert, 46, editor in chief of the conservative daily Le Figaro, won the Prix Interallié for his novel "La

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Call for Class Warfare

By Russell Baker

TEW YORK — It's time to give class warfare a chance. The Republicans had me muzzled a long time on this subject, but no more.

Let the class warfare begin!" is my cry to all who are fed up with outrageously overpaid rock stars and industrial tycoons, with \$12 million lunkheads in jockstraps and overgrown boy billionaire egomaniacs from Hollywood.

And let's not forget invest-ment bankers and Wall Street lawyers drawing down zillions for merger-and-acquisition paperwork. It's time for class war-

fare on them all. Let there be class warfare too on the gazillionaires for whom the above-mentioned overpaid flunkeys toil so that great companies may be successfully merged, acquired and ruined.

The Republicans say it is demagogic to complain about this redistribution of wealth. A few years ago Republicans would have called such discussion "communistic."

Instead, Republicans now talk of "class warfare." It invites "class warfare." they say, to mention the obvious about the economy; to wit, that while the rich are getting richer and the poor getting poorer, middleclass families now need two incomes just to stand still.

What finally emboldens me to cry out for class warfare is the news that the AT&T Corp. is going to dump 77,800 workers. For people like me, it is a murderous blow to our faith in American capitalism. It was the great corporation as the embodiment of security, dependability, loyalty and competence. It was capitalism as an ideal. It

was big business as everyone's

78,000 workers gone. It tempts me to shout, "Hey! What's happening to America when AT&T

dumps on its own people?"
Well, the usual answer is: "Good things are happening to the country, coach. It's just people that bad things are happening

The misfortunes of people are what economists dismiss as "anecdotal evidence" about the state of the nation. It is statistics, not people with their irrelevant anecdotal problems, that tell the

real story. Which goes like this:
The "downsizing" of the
country's work force has been under way for several years, and for sound and excellent reasons. To compete in a world market, American industry must increase productivity, and firing people is one way of doing it.

So runs the comfy tale of the statistics. If you are in the market for class warfare, there are other statistics that may sharpen your urge to set up the guillotine. For instance, though productivity has increased, wages have barely risen at all, excent among top corporate executives who in some cases have treated themselves to startlingly big paydays, presumably to reward themselves for the agonizing toil of firing so many.

A rash of recent articles on the changing economy deals with the fact that there is a new overclass, of which the CEOs are only one element. What distinguishes this overclass is that it is raking down money at constantly increasing rates just when most Americans are struggling not to lose ground.

Is the guillotine the proper weapon for dealing with this new aristocracy? Or is it time for the ultimate weapon - a new obscene-income tax?

By Seth Faison

S HANGHAI — Hollywood executives are itching to get into China. And their day may finally have

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come, after years of waiting. China's film industry looks like an untapped gold mine, overdue for an invasion by Hollywood producers. Five billion movie tickets are expected to be sold this year, about four times the number sold in the United States. There is an unmatched array of movie-shooting locations, and even a bevy of talented directors and actors. But there is a little obstacle called Chinese bureaucracy, and how much it will eventually yield is uncertain.

Executives from almost every major Hollywood studio showed up here last month to attend the Shanghai Film Festival and to angle for the theatrical release of American movies, the building of movie-related theme parks and the selling of merchandise linked to films.

Mike Medavoy, the veteran Hollywood producer, was schmoozing with potential Chinese partners, talking about how to get a project off the ground. The actress Faye Dunaway was here too, talking to Chen Kaige, the award-winning Chinese director, about making a film of the life of Pearl Buck, the author of the 1930s best-seller "The Good Earth."

China's film industry is starting to open up, and one official announced at the festival that a state-run monopoly on film distribution would be broken in 1996, allowing individual studios and producers to distribute American movies for the first time.

From a peak of 14 billion tickets in 1992, movie attendance in China has declined because of the ballooning market for pirate videos. Producers of these videos have wide access to firstrun films that can rarely be seen in theaters. But theater attendance began to rebound this year, largely because Chinese authorities allowed 10 imported blockbusters to be released. The box office receipts for the movies, which include "True Lies," "Speed," and "The Fugitive," are being shared

with the studios that made them. In the past, only second-run Hollywood movies were shown here; only a low. flat rate was paid for the films.

"True Lies" and "Speed" have done particularly well, attracting millions of viewers to theaters even though each film had been widely pirated before it arrived. At least 10 more movies are expected to be released in the same way in 1996.

United International Pictures, which distributes films abroad for Universal, Paramount and MGM, signed a deal during the Shanghai Film Festival to bring three of them to China: "Goldeneye," "Apollo 13" and a Hong Kong action movie.

Though ideological opposition to Western movies may be melting, the Chinese government is still laden with bureaucrats intent on maintaining control over their fiefdoms. Foreign film executives face a maze of confusing regulations and restrictions, an archaic distribution system and a film industry in the throes of a major revamp.

China's 16 major film studios are eager to cooperate with American counterparts to get financing, now that the Chinese government is sup-plying less. Yet the authorities here are only beginning to grasp that a medium they have always seen as a propaganda tool might be turned into an efficient and profitable business.

All of these factors combine to make an uncertain field. American executives trying to take their first steps here are also finding that matching Hollywood's freewheeling, big-spending ways with China's politically dominated, cautious studios is a steep challenge. "Coming to China to do business is like stepping onto another planet," said Peter Dekom, a Hol-

lywood lawyer. Like many state-run industries. China's film studios are unwieldy conglomerates that sometimes include a bewildering array of unrelated operations, as well as a heavy load of social security obligations like kinder-gartens, health clinics and apartment complexes for their staff. "China's



Faye Dunaway wants to make a film of the life of Pearl Buck.

of China Film Import & Export Corp. Inc., opened permanent offices in "One of the main characteristics is Beijing this year. "Now the game is that it is changing from a welfare-state mode to a moneymaking mode."

Hollywood's major studios seem to favor getting in now, regardless of complexes for their staff. 'China's the uncertainty. Columbia Tri-Star, a film industry is in a time of transition,' said Wu Mengchen, president Brothers, owned by Time Warner

all about positioning, so that when the time comes, you can be ready," said Erh Fei Liu, a vice president of Smith Barney who finances film production in Asia. "Everyone's positioning

themselves for the big payday."

The possibility that interests Hol-

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Hollywood's Next Frontier: Chinese Film Industry lywood studios most is releasing American movies to Chinese theaters. There are about 3,100 movie theaters in China, roughly the same number as in the United States. But most Chinese movie theaters are decrepit and poorly run, and they are prone to idiosyncratic movie releases, so that a film may show for only a day or two and then disappear. Most tickets range from 75 cents to as much as \$2.

Showing movies in China is only the first step in a wider cooperation, Hollywood executives said, that may lead to potentially more lucrative business in building theater complexes, selling movie-related merchandise, opening movie-related theme parks and co-producing movies for the American and Chinese markets. As Hollywood profits have gotten

flatter in recent years, movie studios have been looking overseas for their principal growth. They already see fast growth in Latin America and Southeast Asia, and several executives said they expected to see it in China as well. But the breakthrough this year that allowed Hollywood studios to share in the box office revenue of American blockbusters in China did not exactly lead to big profits. Larry Kaplan of Buena Vista In-ternational, a distribution arm of Walt

Disney Co., cited the example of "The Lion King," which he expected to gross only about \$3 million in China. As it turned out, the movie earned nearly that much in its first 10 days, he said, and will probably make twice that much. According to terms of its agreement with China Film, however. Buena Vista gets less than 40 percent of the reported box office receipts, and that amount is taxed heavily. "The taxes are virtually unequal to any other country in the world," said Kaplan, adding that net profit on "The Lion King" in China would be negligible. Although he would not discuss figures, other film executives said Buena Vista would make about \$500,000.

Kaplan was undeterred. "Everyone is in this because they want to seed the garden and then harvest re-

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In Montana, a New Kind of Zoo Takes Shape

By Doug McInnis
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B ILLINGS, Montana — The movie "Field of Dreams" had a simple theme: Build a baseball field and people will come. Here in this northern Rocky Mountain oil-refining city, people had a similar

faith about the zoo they wanted to build. A zoo is usually a big-city institution. It takes a lot of money to support one. But in animals. "Zoos once tried to get as many formed a board to build ZooMontana. The essarily the way for the future," said yearly outdoor music festival, even though some of North America's largest zoos.

ZooMontana did not have a single animal. opening this fall, 10,000 people poured zoo's twin-wing administration and ed- sideration at a time when zoos are trying to the tiger habitat.

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ucation complex and a replica of a 19th- preserve endangered species though capcentury homestead with a large complement of domestic farm animals.

Trails wind through a wooded ravine where visitors will find habitats for the endangered Siberian tiger, North American river otters and waterfowl. Unlike urban is a case in point. From one side, spectators zoos, which crowd many exhibits and animals on relatively small sites. ZooMontana will emphasize large habitats and fewer

When ZooMontana finally held a grand cent decades. Zoos now favor large natural look like a rock. "The tigers can't tell the habitats that allow animals to behave much difference and neither can most people," through its gates. What they saw was a 20- as they would in the wild. These natural said Ted Wirth, head of Wirth Design year work in progress, which includes the settings also promote breeding, a vital con- Associates, one of three firms that designed

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tive-breeding programs.

ZooMontana's habitats give animals space and a natural setting, while yielding a clear view for visitors (\$3 for adults and \$2 for children). The Siberian tiger enclosure look down at the tigers. From a lower level. they can see them through safety glass.

Since tigers are native to Siberian forests, trees were left standing on a site 1982, civic leaders in this city of 100,000 animals as they could, but that's not nec- that runs roughly two-thirds the length and width of a football field. Tigers like to state donated land in 1989. And residents ZooMontana's director, William Torgerson, swim, so the zoo built two pools, one supported the zoo's major fund-raiser, a a veterinarian by training who has worked at shallow and one deep. In the heat of summer, the tigers find shade on ledges of a Zoo theory has changed radically in re- cliff carved from cement and painted to

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THE Australian actor and singer Jason Donovan collapsed in public for the second time in a year, this time at a delicatessen at Sydney's famous Bondi Beach. He was taken to a hospital and released a couple of hours later. The hospital would not disclose the reason for his collapse. He blamed his earlier collapse, in a Los Angeles nightclub, on jet lag.

British productions took top honors in four of six categories — including a tie with France for best documentary — at the International Emmy Awards. The documentary winners, which both dealt with Holocaust themes, were "Anne Frank Re-Co. in association with the BBC and the Disney Channel, and "Contre L'Oubli" ("Lest We Forget"), from France 2/Taxi Productions. The Anne Frank documentary used rare archival material to detail the teenage diarist's life and legacy. "Lest We Forget" features interviews with former prisoners and guards at Auschwitz. The winner for best arts documentary was 'Kenzaburo Oe's Long Road to Fatherhood," about the winner of the 1994 Nobel Prize for literature and his mentally disabled son, Hikari. The Emmy in the popular arts category went to the eclectic British game show "Don't Forget Your Toothbrush IL" The winner for perform-ing arts was "Carmen," a Swedish production. Two British productions tied for top honors in the category of programs for children and young people: "Little Lord Fauntleroy" and "Wise Up," a news mag-

Garth Brooks is looking for two band members who aren't obsessed with job security. Brooks is booked for a U.S. tour, but he lost two musicians to solo careers—guitarist Ty England and the country star's mative last week. She was Miss America sister, bassist Betsy Brooks. "The two faces that are probably most known to people, Ty and Betsy, are lost," Brooks said.
"So it'll be tough." Brooks said he told both they could rejoin the band anytime.

azine. Another British production won the drama category: "The Politician's

Mick Jagger, the boss Rolling Stone, Christie's. The artifact was offered at an has bought, for \$650,000, the film rights to auction of Latin American art that pro-"Enigma," a best-selling book about duced disappointing results, with only 35 breaking secret Nazi wartime codes. The book, by Robert Harris, tells the story of a breaking secret was sent around the world to material, I'd work with Madonna."

The actress Morgan Fairchild giving the Emmy for "Carmen" to Gunila Walin, left, and Sam Wilson, representing the Swedish production company.

brilliant mathematician racing against time stimulate interest prior to the auction, and to crack the codes that German submarines was seen by such dignitaries as King Juan used to track Allied shipping during World

Beauty and the ... legislative assistant: Heather Whitestone walked up the runway as Miss America. Next, she walks down the aisle as a bride. John McCallum, a legislative assistant to House Speaker Newt Gingrich, confirmed his engagement to the former beauty queen. "I'm marrying Heather. She just happens to be

The "Crown of the Andes," a 400-yearold gold and emerald religious artifact weighing nearly 5 pounds (2.3 kilograms) and valued at \$3 million, has failed to sell at

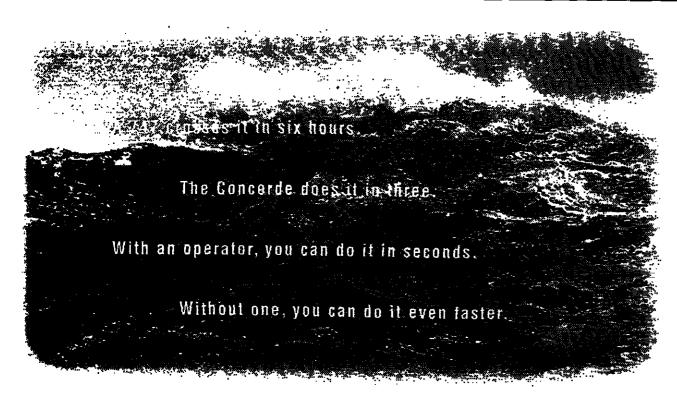
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Carlos I of Spain and President Carlos Saul Menem of Argentina. It was offered for sale by a descendant of one of the members of an American syndicate that bought it in 1936, but the bidding did not reach the seller's undisclosed minimum.

Barbra Streisand is making a movie about the slain Israeli leader Yitzhak Rabin and the PLO chief, Yasser Arafat, to run on the Showtime cable station next year. The title will be "Two Hands That Shook the World."

Madonna got some praise for her acting abilines from unexpected quarters: ex-hus-



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